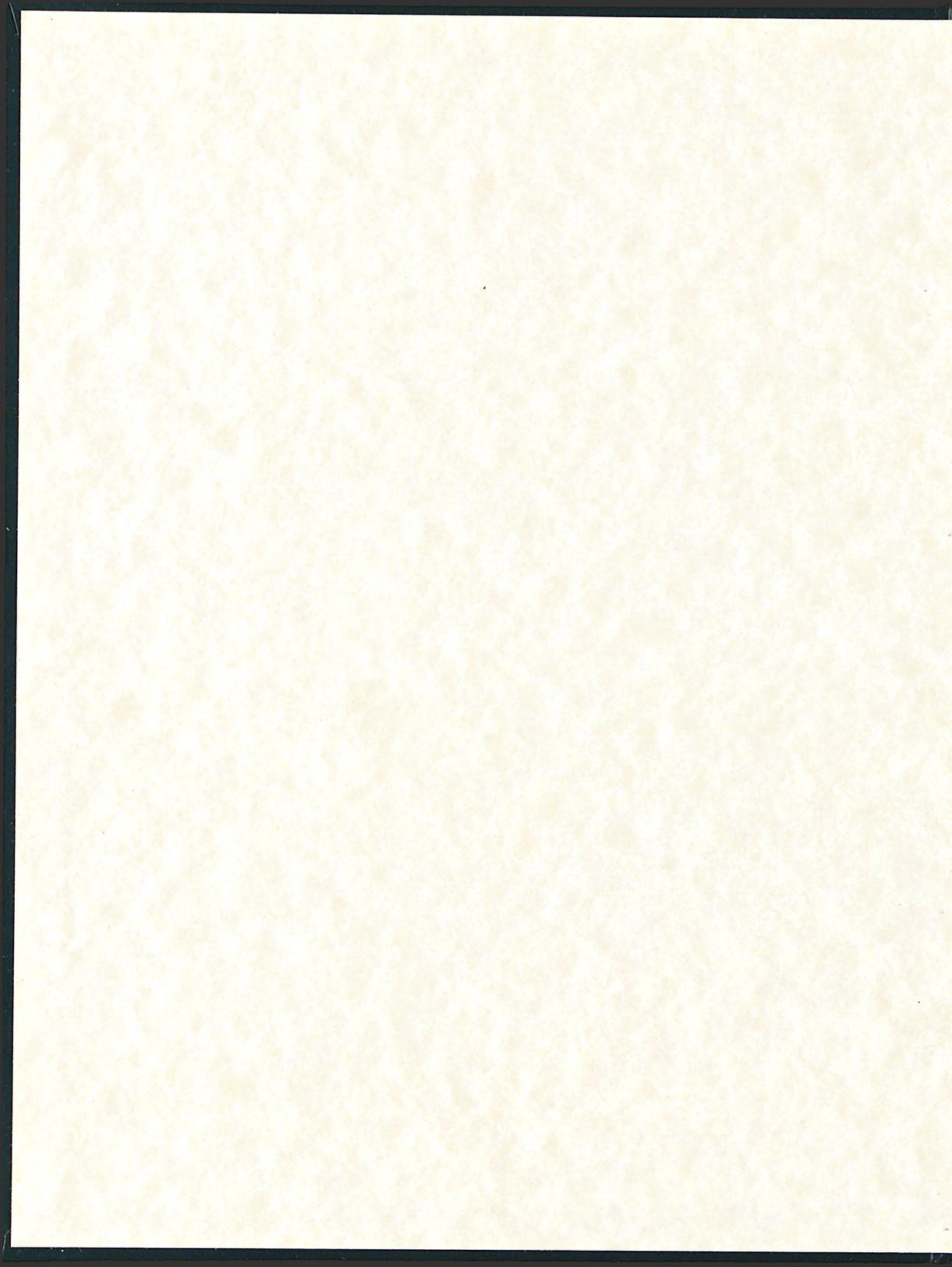


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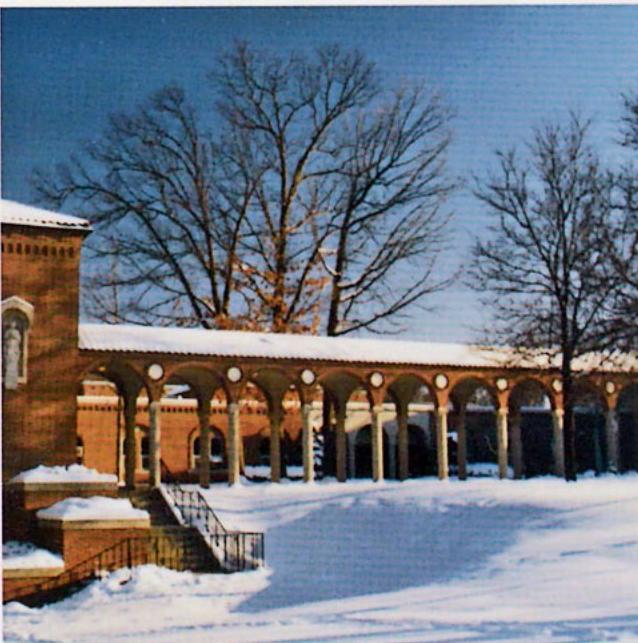
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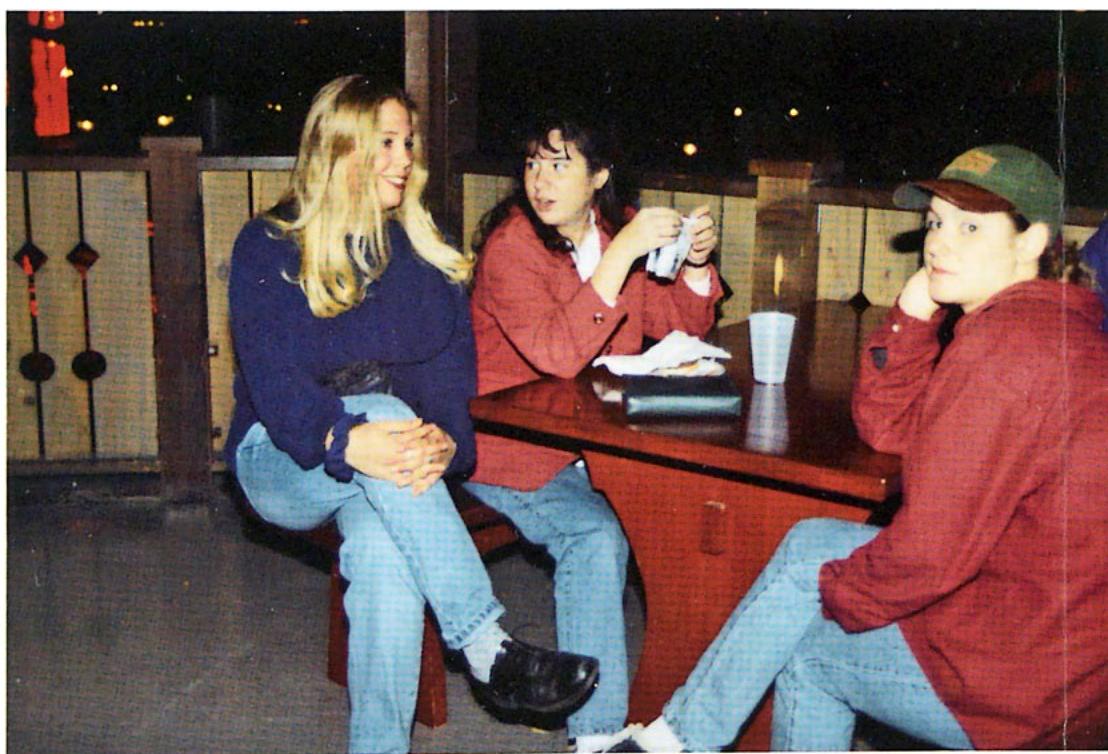
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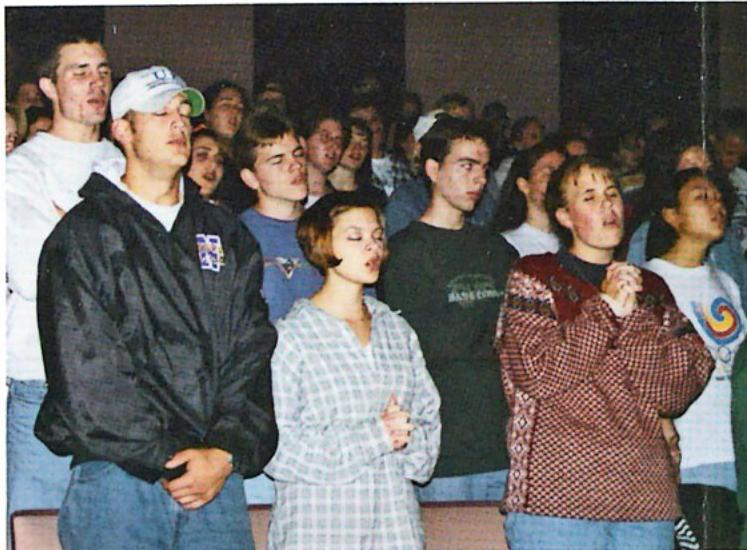
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YOU'RE GOING DOWN A confident Jori Ernst is shown the target by orientation crew member Paul McNamee. NWSA sponsored the afternoon of food and games to give freshman and transfer students the chance to meet one another. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



GIRL'S NIGHT OUT Roommate Roulette provides an opportunity for Jill Tonneson and Kera Latterell to relax over dinner at Camp Snoopy. Kera jumped at the chance to get to Camp Snoopy cheaply with some friends. They made a night of it and saw the movie "That Thing You Do" afterwards. (Photo by Jason Stoll)

ON THE EDGE NWC students take time during the week to worship God at The Edge. The Edge was a student-led worship time on Wednesdays that included song, messages and drama. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



In The Beginning...

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning."

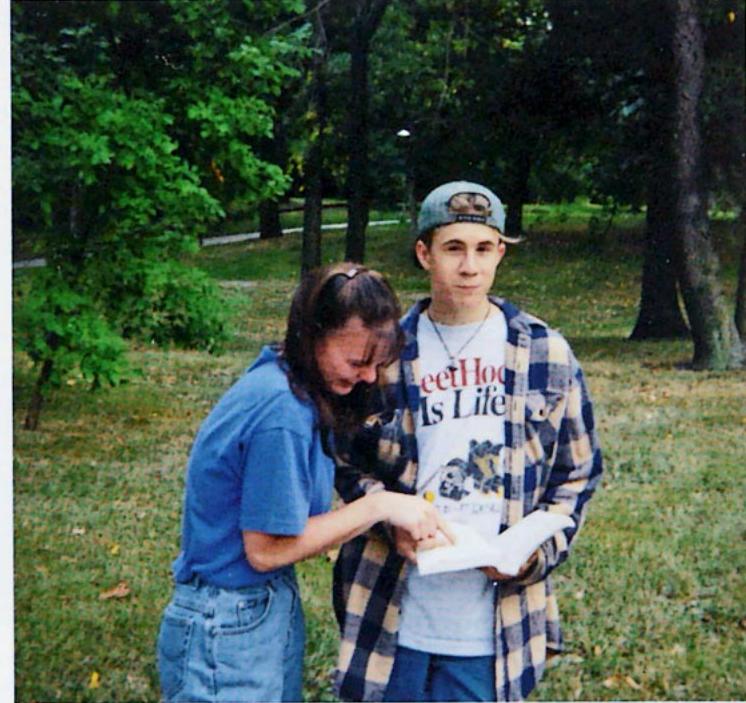
John 1:1-2, NIV

Before the birthdays of the world could be counted, the word was power, light flaming into a void emptier than a childhood night alone. Life was uttered, faster than a click of the tongue, collecting itself into fireflies, toucans, dolphins, leopards, Adam, Eve.

Pulsing through the earth's veins, telegraphs, air mail, daily news, computer conversations at three in the morning. With the word was warmth: a long distance call from a friend, Mom's songs that she sang as a child.

Separate from the reaches of time's pendulum, God gave the word that we may trace His shadow until we gaze at Him in awe and know the word completely, that it is good.

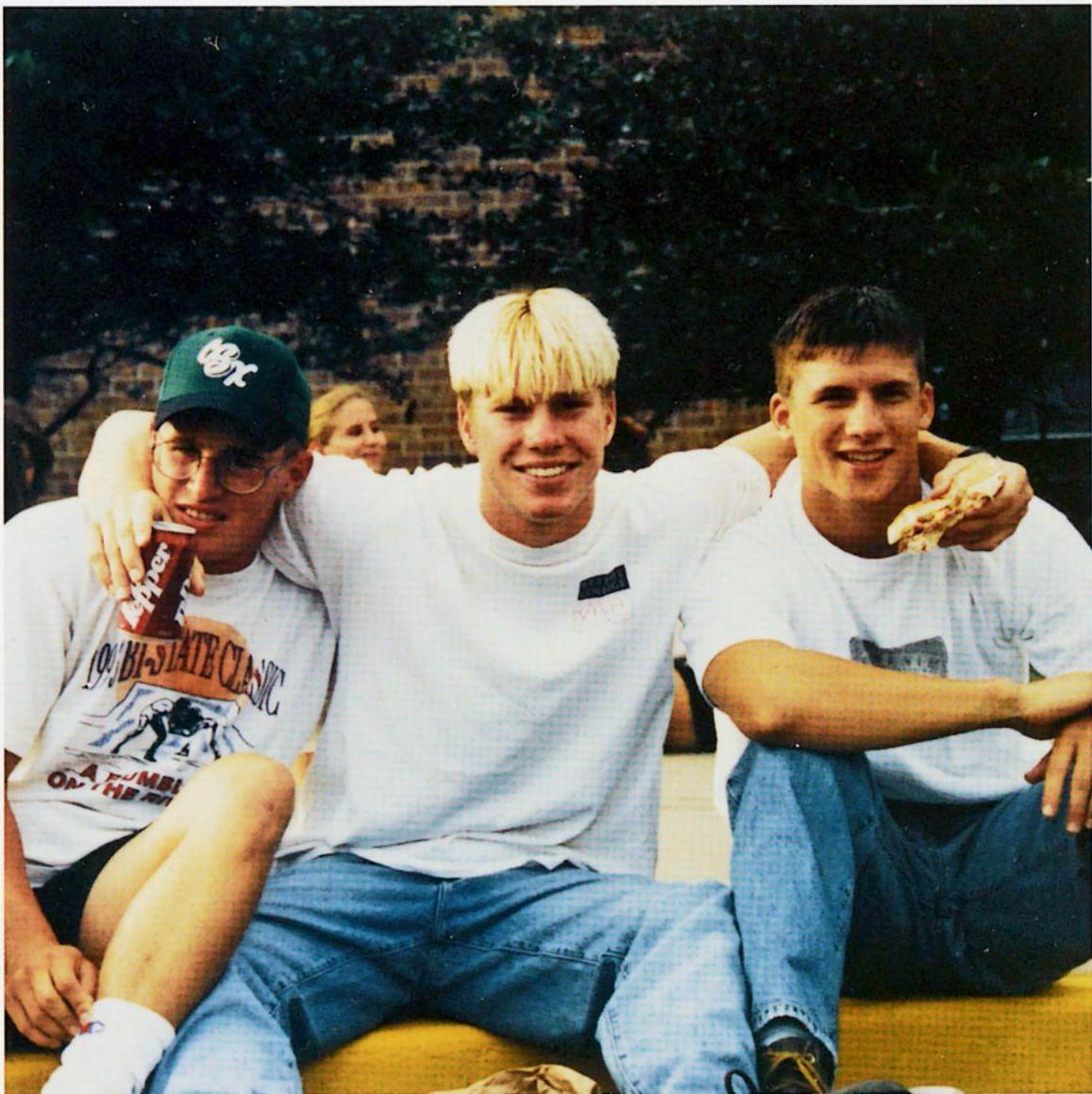
— Rebekah Ersland



SASSY BEACH Serving as quad 7's chief lifeguard, Jason Sasse conversed with some beach combers. Moyer's Open House carried the theme of "TV Land," and quad 7 was Baywatch. (Photo by Jason Stoll)

YOU ARE HERE Fellow freshmen Heather Davie and Brian Gordon help each other find directions around campus. Some freshmen envisioned the horror of not being able to find their rooms on the first day of classes. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)

Exciting... Stressful...



SHARE AND SHARE ALIKE

The NWSA barbecue gave many students an opportunity for serious bonding. Along with showing some manly affection, Josh Mabe was more than happy to share his pop with Jake Dodge and his sandwich with Michael Olstad. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)

Student Life

What's your definition?

Webster's Dictionary defines a student as "one who studies, or one who attends a school" and life as "the quality that distinguishes a vital and functional being from a dead body." But asking students what their definition of Student Life is would return hundreds of different answers. For some students, Student Life was taking midnight trips to the grocery store for more Mountain Dew. For others, Student Life was seeing every movie at the "Buck Theater." Another possible definition for Student Life might include eating stacks of pancakes and drinking gallons of coffee at Perkins while "studying" for classes.

Included in all of the activities listed above was a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Northwestern College gave students a rare opportunity to integrate faith into other areas of learning. For many students, this integration helped apply basic principles learned in non-Biblical classes.

Regardless of how one defined Student Life, there was one unifying factor: it involved students. So, instead of trying to give a definite definition, the following pages will give a "word or two" summary of this crazy thing called Student Life at Northwestern College.

Joel Wiens, Student Life Editor

Stuffed!

Moving in provided new challenges for students

"Packed like sardines," is how some students would describe dorm life. Due to the increase in enrollment, many dorm rooms, originally designed for three students are now home to four. Most of the students didn't mind the close quarters, especially because they didn't know any different. The members of these overcrowded rooms received quite an incentive to stick together: a 25% credit to their account.

One problem with the cramped conditions was the abundance of alarm clocks—all of which usually went off at different times. Occasionally, there was a student who possessed the ability to sleep through his or her alarm while all of the roommates were rudely woken up. The normal responses were to throw something at the culprit or wake them "harshly."

Although three seemed the simpler and more convenient combination, many claimed that four people meant the opportunity to make more lifelong friendships.

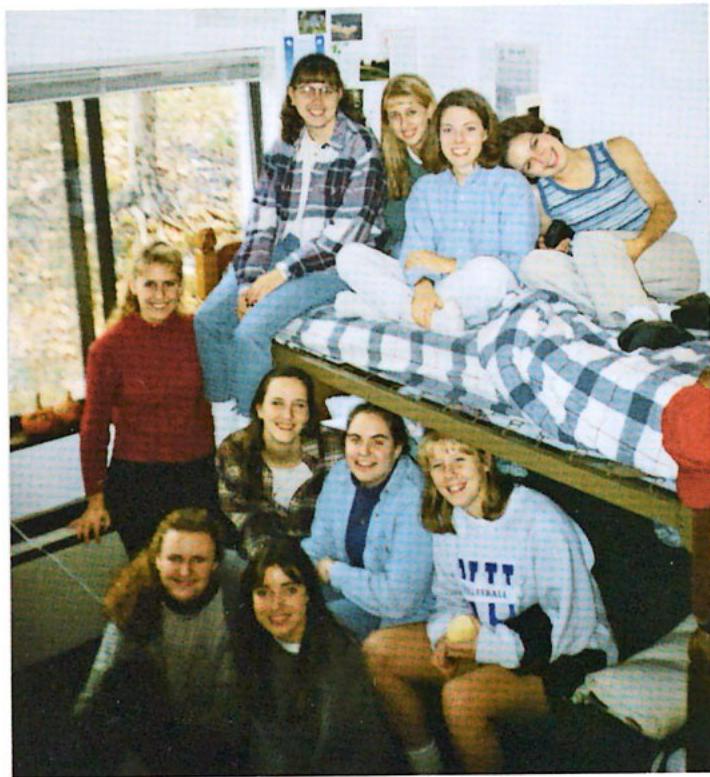


NEED A HAND?

Members of the orientation crew give a helping hand to new students. These student workers cut move in time to about ten minutes. (Photo by Dale Lewis)

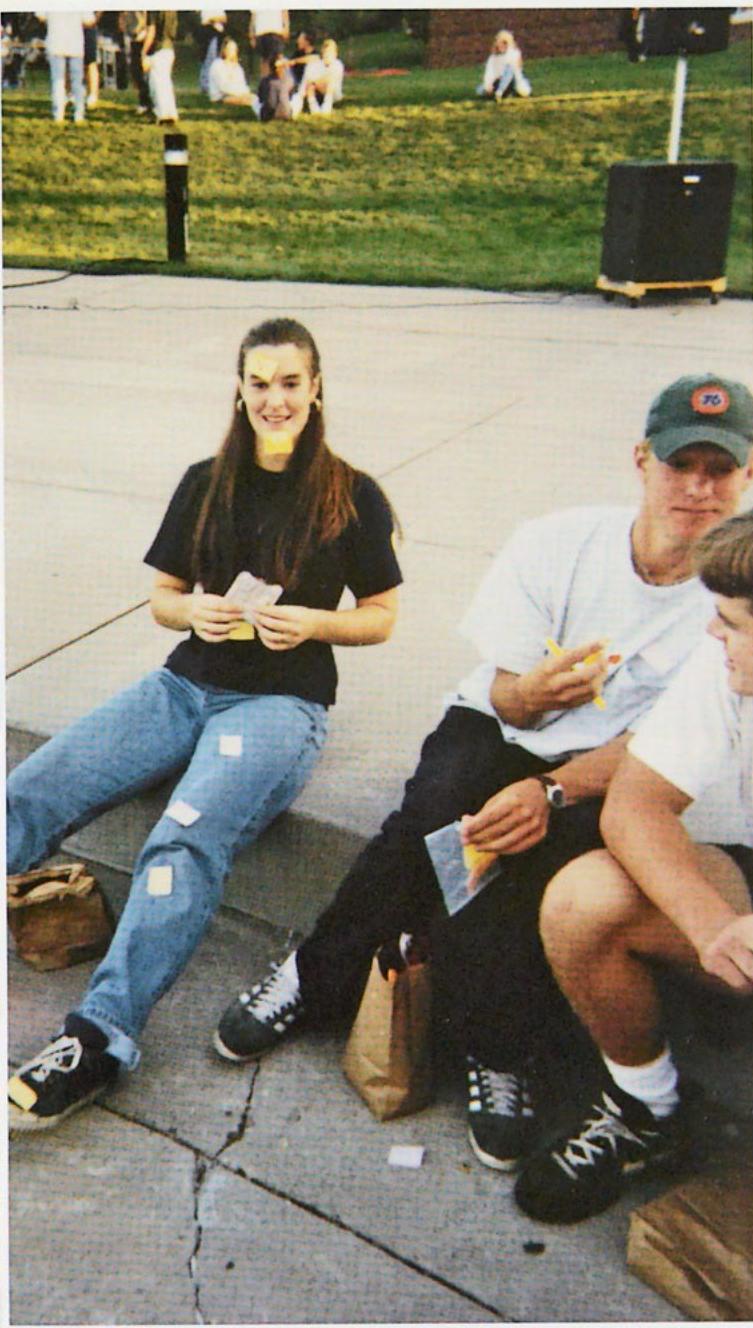
NO VACANCY

Although the living quarters are tight, these girls aren't letting it cramp their style. Sarah Slinger (second from left, top bunk) exclaimed "It's just four times the fun!" (Photo by April Nagy)



SKY HIGH!

Even the signs saying, "Break down all boxes," didn't stop most students from building cardboard towers to the sky. (Photo by Dale Lewis)



WHERE'S MARANATHA?

With all the information freshmen received orientation day, Sally Meikle and Josh Read used Post-it notes to remind themselves where their classes were. (Photo by Student Development)

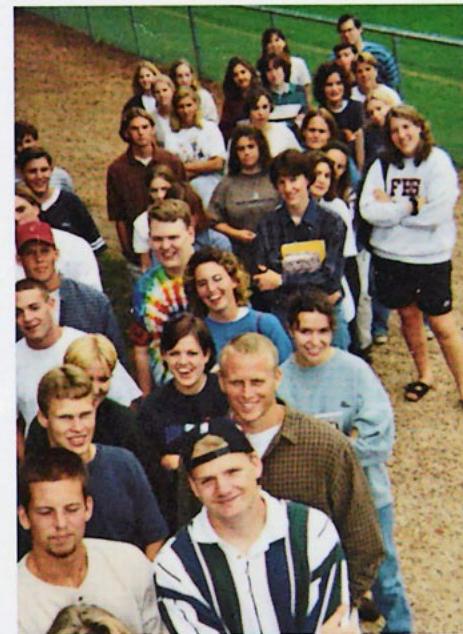
STUCK UP!

Before the stress of college became a reality, Kim Mallory and Christine Staffon happily regressed to their childhood on the velcro wall. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



COMMUNITY...

This word was used frequently during orientation. Freshman seminar, class nine, posed for the twentieth picture of the day. (Photo by Student Development)



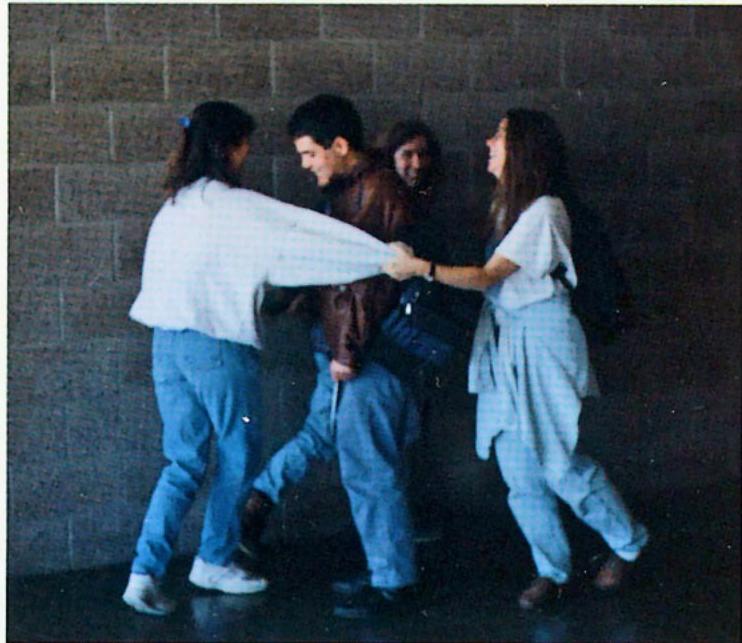
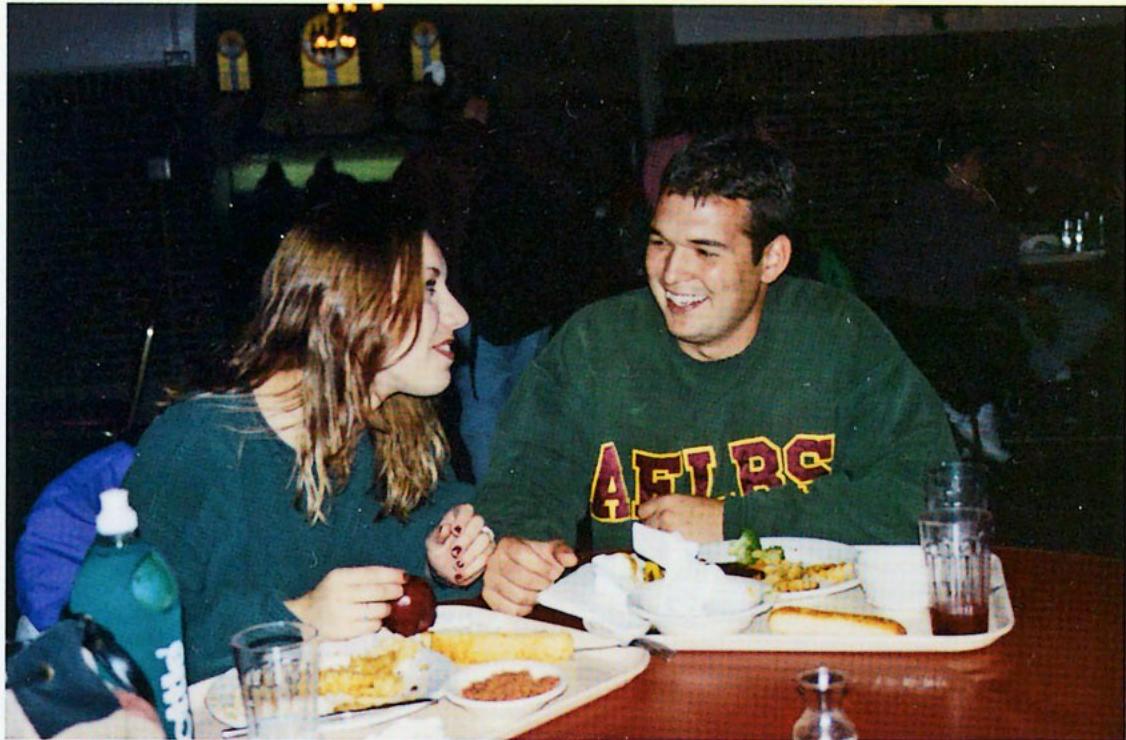
INTROSPECTION

Digging deep into their inner selves, Andrew Selness, Jesse Selness and Amanda Dietz search for the true meaning of life. Or maybe they were relaxing before the pressures of starting new classes. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



OUT TO LUNCH

Not only do they enjoy a delicious meal, Carlene Oppold and Andrew Britz also have fun just being together. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)

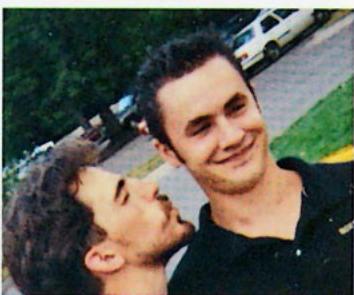


TRAPPED!

After Chapel, Merindy Zoschke, Jenny Jones and Amy Elliott try to keep Daniel Reynolds from getting to class on time. (Photo by Dale Lewis)

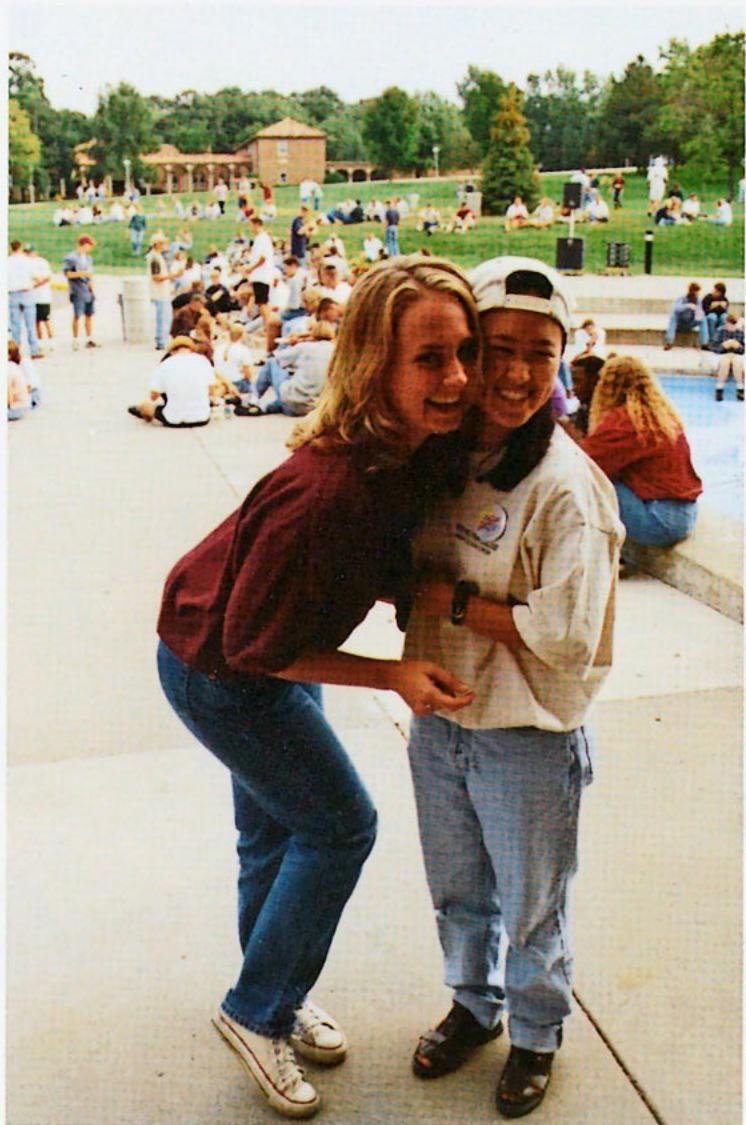
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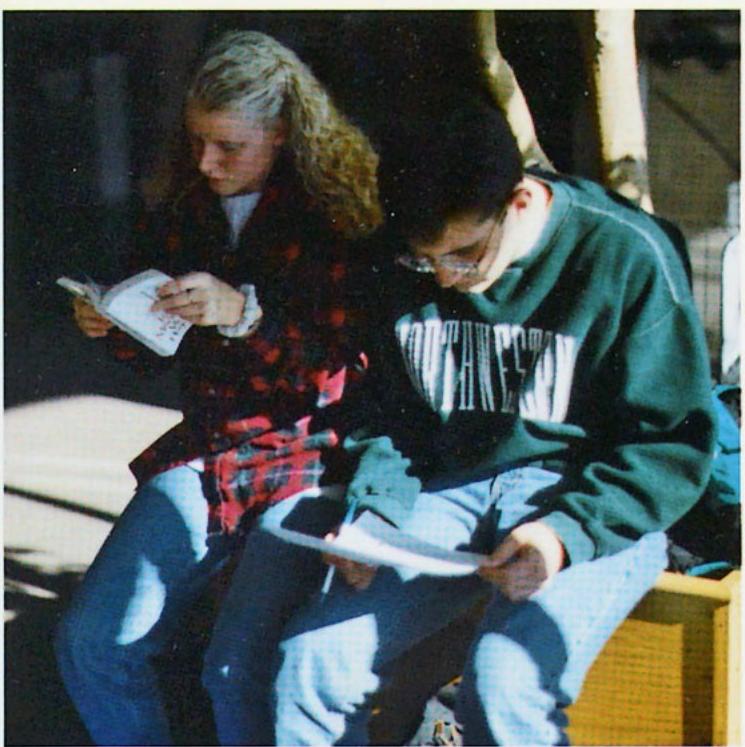
Attempting to win brownie points from security officer Damon Pfaff, Benjamin Andrew offers his utmost affection. (Photo by Student Development)



TOO CUTE

At the annual NWSA barbecue, Tricia Gibson and Jaimie Olsen take a break from their food to enjoy a moment together. (Photo by Damon Pfaff)





DEEP IN THOUGHT

Before chapel Christina Hartley and Jon Caldwell catch up on some last-minute studying. (Photo by Dale Lewis)

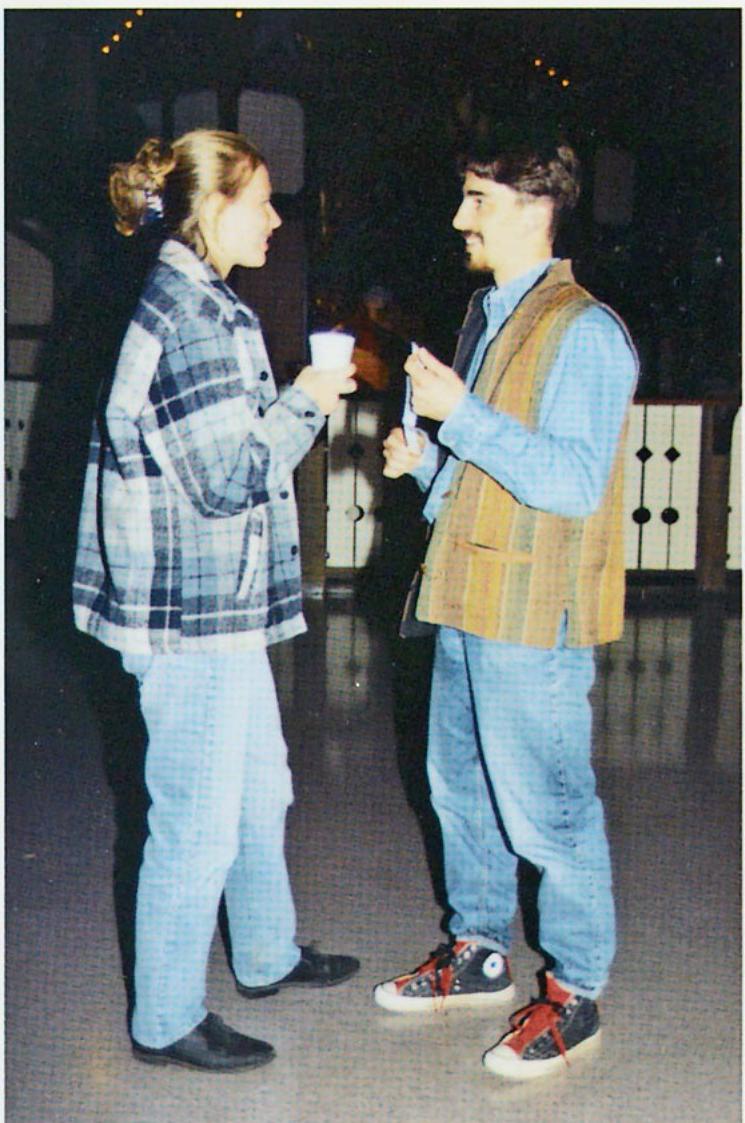


JUST FRIENDS?

Waiting patiently in line for the Mystery Mine ride at the Mall of America, Abigail Engbrecht and Caleb Backholm enjoy a moment together. (Photo by Jason Stoll)

1, 2, 3, 4...

There's nothing like a little competition to keep a relationship healthy. Amanda Jarvis and Dallas Jenkins use thumbwrestling to exercise their relationship. (Photo by Dale Lewis)



Hold my Hand

What do students come to college for? Even though the main reason may be for an education, many students find long-lasting, meaningful relationships. According to Webster's Dictionary, a relationship is a connection by blood or family, kinship, friendship or a natural association. What is that connection and why is it so important?

As people go through life, meaningful relationships are found in others who can be depended upon to pull each other along through any situations that are encountered in life. As children, many friendships were based on who had the best toys. Moving into junior high, many students had to deal with the "in crowd." High school gave many a chance to build true friendships. Graduation, for many students, meant saying farewell to close friends who shared so many memories.

College is yet another time for new beginnings and relationships. During those years, new friendships formed, romances bloomed and old friends remained.

--Heidi Post

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

This year Roommate Roulette went to Camp Snoopy. Stacie Bernahl and Benjamin Andrew discuss which ride to go on next. (Photo by Jason Stoll)

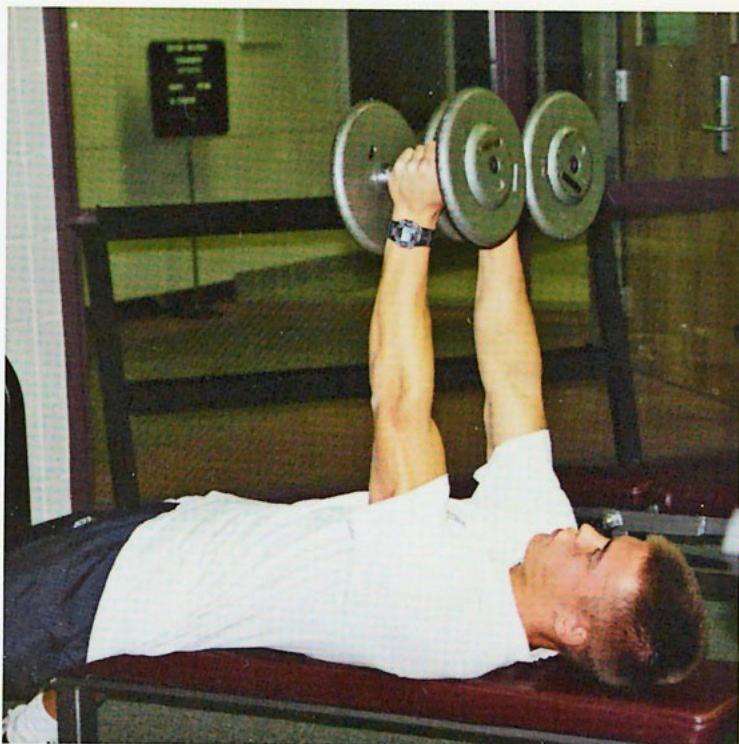
HEAVY METAL

Taking advantage of the new weight room, Jake Dodge exercises his legs. The new weight room allowed more students to get in shape. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



WHEW, I MADE IT

With great concentration, Greg Cerny prefers to exercise with free weights instead of the new weight machines. Free weights use traditional "dumbbells" and exercise all muscle groups equally. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



STAIRWAY TO HEAVEN?

With the addition of new exercise equipment in the Erickson Center, working out has become more fun for many students. Amy Marko seemed to be deep in thought as she "skied" her way to fitness. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



1, 2, 3... CUT

With the ribbon cutting ceremony, performed by trustees and distinguished guests, the Erickson Center officially opened. (Photo by Brian Tanning)



His Legacy

The fall of 1996 was a time of remarkable recognition for President Donald Ericksen. Fall '96 also marked the beginning of a transition for both Ericksen and the college.

By a unanimous vote, the board of trustees named the new health and physical education center the "Ericksen Center" in honor of President Ericksen. The center was officially named during the dedication ceremony, September 27.

According to Mel Johnson, Chairman of the board of trustees, "Dr. Ericksen has led us in maintaining academic excellence and spiritual priorities." Naming the Health and Physical Education Center the "Ericksen Center" seemed a very appropriate way of expressing both the trustees' and the entire college family's gratitude for President Ericksen's service to the college.

Earlier that fall, Ericksen announced that he would step down from his role as president believing that the time was right for a change in leadership. As of July 1, 1997, he will serve the college as chancellor in areas that will benefit Northwestern College and Radio.



WITH PRAISE

President Ericksen leads the assembly in singing a hymn of praise to God for the completion of the Ericksen Center. The former choir director was aided by the festival choir and symphonic band. (Photo by Brian Tanning)

HONORED BUT HUMBLE

After receiving the honor of having the Health and Physical Education Center named after him, President Ericksen accepts the honor with quiet humility. (Photo by Brian Tanning)

Going for the Gold

Future Olympians experience first hand some events at the Northwestern Olympics.

Seen and definitely heard, children of alumni were treated to an assortment of activities including an Olympic race at halftime of the football game. A llama, potbelly pig, young goat and a kitten were among the animals presented at the petting zoo.

Just down the path, horse and pony rides took place. Among the challenging events were a jungle gym, the "moon walk" and mini-golf. The Olympic hopefuls took full advantage of this opportunity to just have fun.

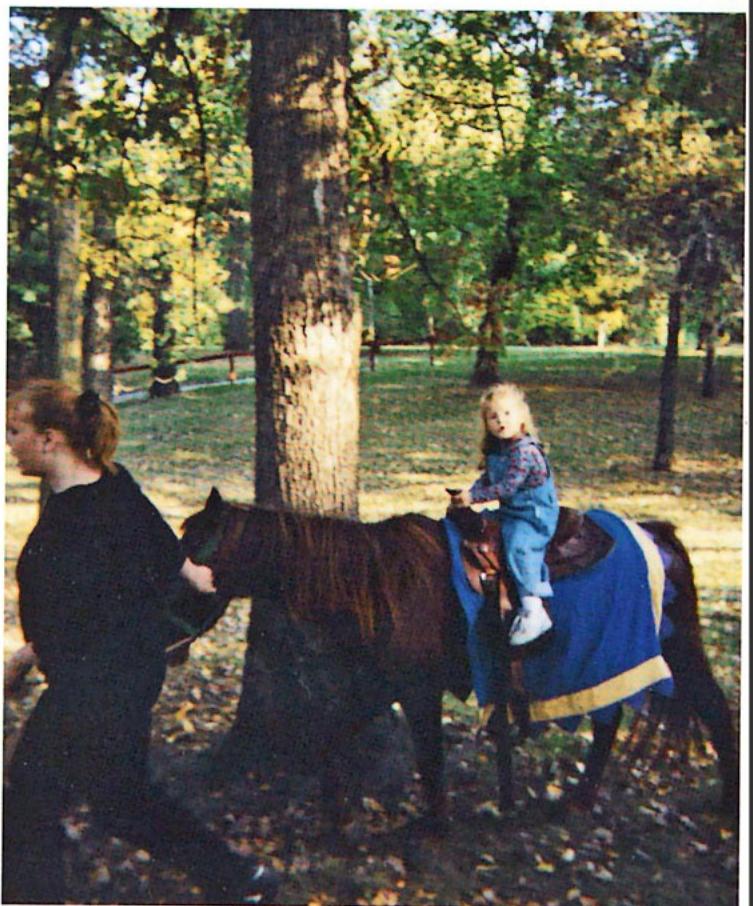
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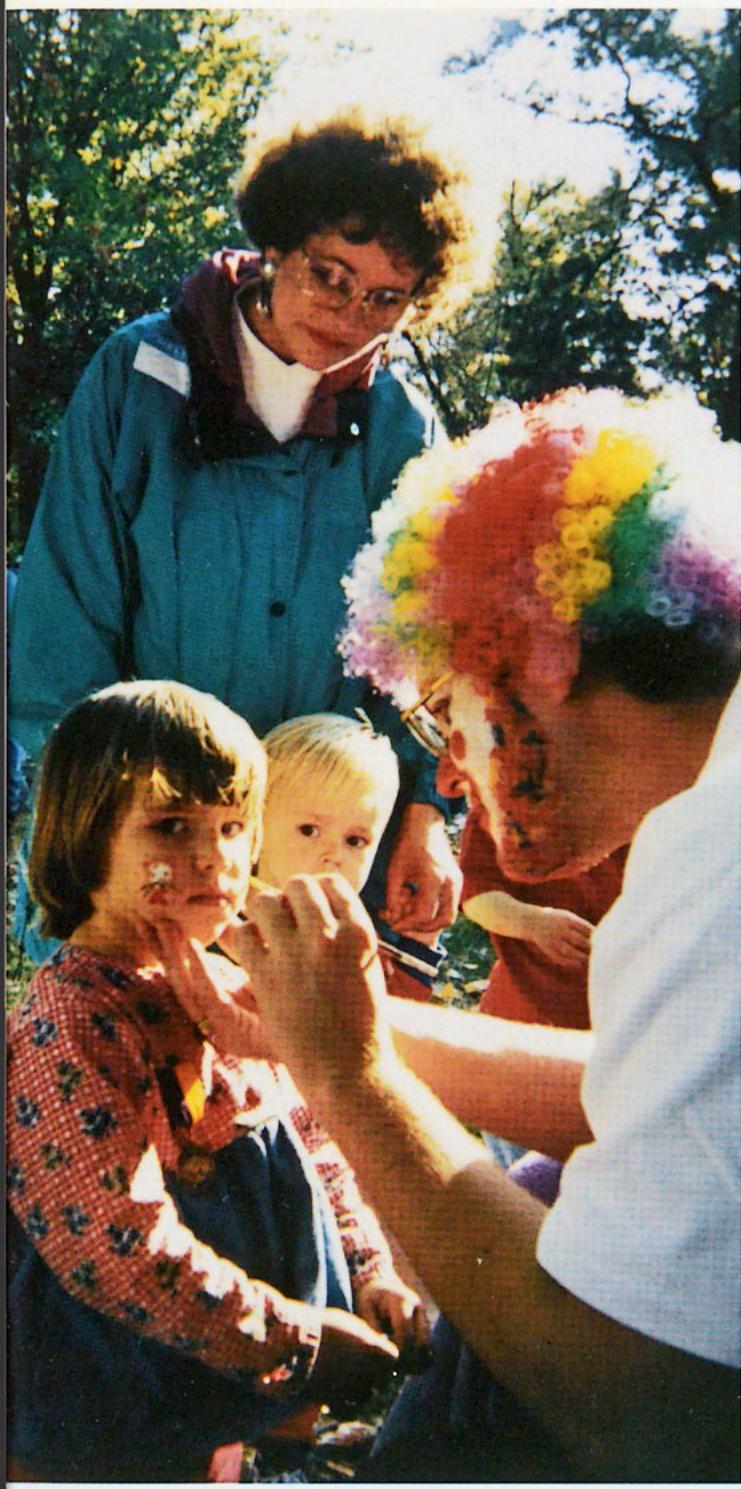
A small boy reaches for the bell at the end of the Jacob's ladder. Children enjoyed this activity because it required skill and flexibility. (Photo by Dale Lewis)



OH! SOOO MUCH FUN!

This little lady surveys the crowd from her newly attained height. Many children enjoyed the chance of riding the ponies provided for this occasion. (Photo by April Nagy)





IS IT ME?

A young clown cautiously turns to face the camera while her face is painted. Other children waited patiently in line for their turn. (Photo by April Nagy)

HE'S MINE!

Wide-eyed with wonder, a young boy protectively shields the kitten from any takers. It's hard to share when you're only four years old. (Photo by April Nagy)



WHO NEEDS

A GATE?

A worried mother tries to coax her son down from the fence. The little boy was so anxious to pet the llama that he didn't bother to use the gate. (Photo by April Nagy)



READY... SET... GO!

The five- and six-year-old division of the 50-yard dash race toward victory. The race took place at halftime of the football game to the cheers of the crowd and proud parents. (Photo by Dale Lewis)

IN THE SPIRIT OF THE GREEKS

During the parade, Lisa Nelson and Emilie Probst carry the banner while Josh Mulvihill runs behind. This "float" won the parade contest. (Photo by Dale Lewis)

I THINK I GOT IT

In the junior vs. senior powderpuff game, Rebekah Ersland attempts to grab Chrystal Albrecht's flag. (Photo by Jason Stoll)



AND THE WINNER IS...

At the annual NWSA Pizza War, Jenna Walter and Karyn Pottorff display the winning brand. This was the second year in a row that Pizza Hut won. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)

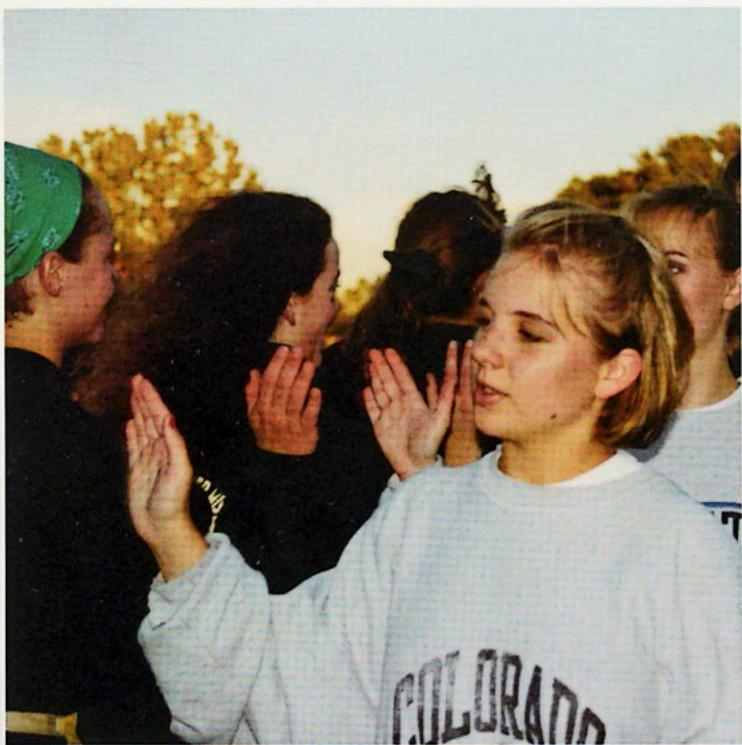
PUT ME IN COACH

Sideliners wait in anticipation, eager to show what they can do for the team. They often encouraged the crowd to cheer for the players. (Photo by Joel Wiens)



BEEP, BEEP!

The sophomore class, showing extreme creativity, uses representative Travis Wilson as their float "vehicle." (Photo by Dale Lewis)



GOOD GAME

Freshman Emily Dahl congratulates the sophomore team on their victory. Although they won that game, they eventually lost to the juniors for the championship. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)

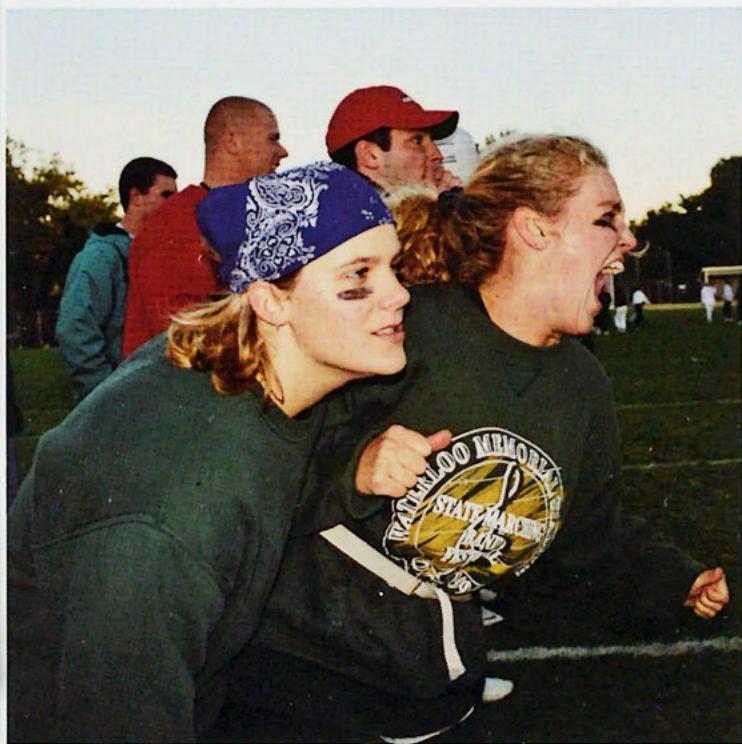


WE'VE GOT SPIRIT, YES WE DO

Freshman representative Dan Hesse shows his school spirit. Many other students joined Dan in painting their faces and wearing school colors. (Photo by Jason Stoll)

EAT... FAST... GO

A "hungry" football player attempts to find mints in a plate of ice cream. This was just one of the many activities at the Pep Fest. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



GO!!!

Wild with excitement, Meg Carlson and Jen Anderson cheer on the sophomore team. The sophomores beat the freshmen for a chance in the playoffs. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)

Now presenting Miss Northwestern!

On October 4, 1996, Jennifer Powell received the honor of being the twenty-second Miss Northwestern.

Although Jen is not the first Miss NWC, she was the first to have a vote in the student senate. She received the privilege of being the only voting member that was elected by the entire student body. "I like

having a say in the NWSA," Powell said. "It gives my role as Miss Northwestern more meaning and impact."

Jen has confessed herself to be a hopeless romantic. She began her introductory speech with a passage from Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*. After her passionate performance, she emphatically shared how Jesus became the love of her life.



--April Nagy

For a final fall fling...

NWC Invades Valleyfair

JUST HANGIN' OUT

Spending some quality time with each other, this group of sophomores energetically waits in line for an exciting ride. (Photo by Shannon McNeely)

WHEE!

Feelings of excitement could be seen on the faces of Michelle Ewing and Sara Rose as they made their way down the Flume. By the time they reached the end, both were drenched and laughing. (Photo by Shannon McNeely)



FEELING DIZZY?

Flying hair and shrill screams could be seen and heard as these students made their way around the twists and turns of the Corkscrew. (Photo by Kelly Anderson)

THE NEED FOR SPEED

This ancient car sputters down the rail under the control of Dacia Mchone and Sarah Hesley. The old fashioned cars were a highlight for many students who went to Valleyfair. (Photo by Kelly Anderson)



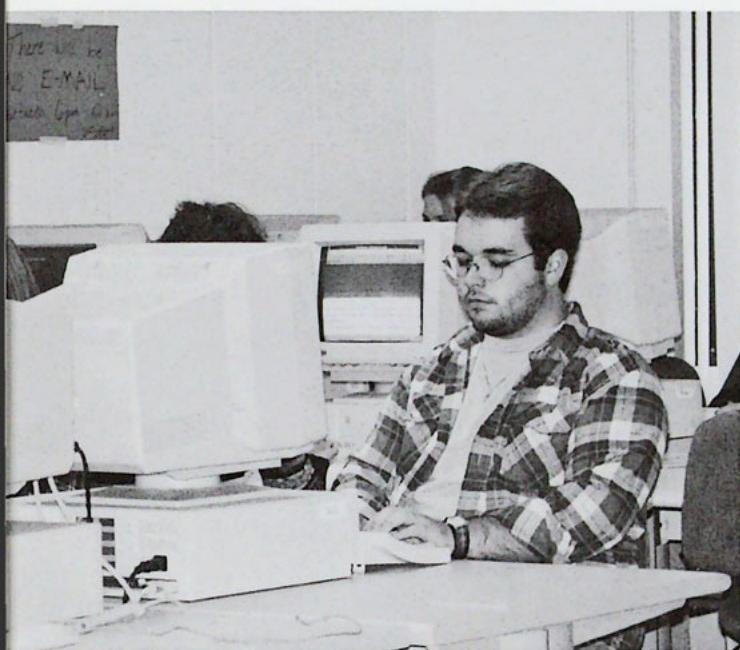
Surf's Up

NWC students ride the wave on the Information Superhighway

"I'm going to check my email" became a common phrase among students as the year went on. In fact, checking email and "surfing the web" became a social activity for students. Several of them actually created their own home pages where everyone in the world could see their interests, hobbies and even their pictures.

Regardless if students loved to "surf the net" or thought it was a waste of time, no one could deny that the Internet would play a significant role in many of their lives.

-Joel Wiens



I'M FINE, HOW ARE YOU?

Taking a break from homework, Christopher Maciolek stops in the new Student Center computer lab to email a friend. Email was first made available to students in 1994. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



ALMOST FINISHED

Sophomore Emily Fisher puts the finishing touches on her paper for class. The Student Center computer lab allowed students to work on papers at all hours of the day. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)

Cyber Talk...

INFOBAHN
The "Information Highway"

NET-GOD

A longtime and usually omniscient net user



NEWBIE

A new Internet user; often considered flamebait by unsympathetic Net vets

FLAME

To hurl insults and abuse at another user electronically

SNAIL-MAIL

As opposed to email, a.k.a. the U.S. Postal Service



SMILEY
A symbol made from ASCII characters such as ;} or :) that resembles a smiley face turned sideways

NETIQUETTE
How your mom would tell you to act
if she were a net-head

SURFER
A Net dude or dudette

GRRRRRRR...

This infant tiger would rather smile than growl. Children came in all modes of transportation including strollers and Daddy's arms. (Photo by April Nagy)

**Heaven Bound**

Student volunteer Joelle Blomberg finds one of her own. Quite a few angels guarded the dorm halls during the All-Saints Party. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



The annual All-Saints Party turned into an

Invasion of the Little People

The annual All-Saints Party, held on October 31, proved successful for all involved. Costumed children and students raced throughout the dorm halls and student center. Volunteers decorated the student center, set up games and food booths, handed out balloons and set up a puppet show. The campus radio station broadcasted live from the student center, played children's music and interviewed children, parents and students. Parents were heard saying how much they appreciated this gift of safety and fun from the college.

**HAVING FUN YET?**

Representing WVOE, Caleb Backholm questions a young child about her vast amount of candy. They also interviewed students, parents and volunteers. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)

FUNNY FACE

Not just clowning around, Megan Brandt hands out treats in full costume. Many students decorated their rooms and themselves before handing out candy. (Photo by Dale Lewis)





TAKE TWO AND CALL ME IN THE MORNING

Dressed in her scrubs, Gail Thayer gives the children a "candy cure-all." Student Development made it happen by soliciting candy for each room from local businesses, faculty, staff and students. Each of the guests were also asked to donate a \$1 to help with costs. (Photo by Dale Lewis)



TOO CUTE TO SCARE

This miniature pirate attempts to be threatening but doesn't succeed. Other frightening costumes included monsters, witches and skunks. (Photo by April Nagy)

The Scary Details...

- **185** rooms participated in the party.
- **400** students passed out candy.
- **80** student volunteers helped with transportation, booths, traffic inside the dorms, etc.
- Each child received about **90** pieces of candy.
- **75,330** pieces of candy were passed out.
- **23%** of the Parents were Northwestern alumni.

Growing Pains...

As the population of Northwestern expanded, the buildings and services had to change to accommodate the needs of the students. Since the addition of the Bernstein Resource Center in 1992, there have been many improvements that have given Northwestern better facilities.

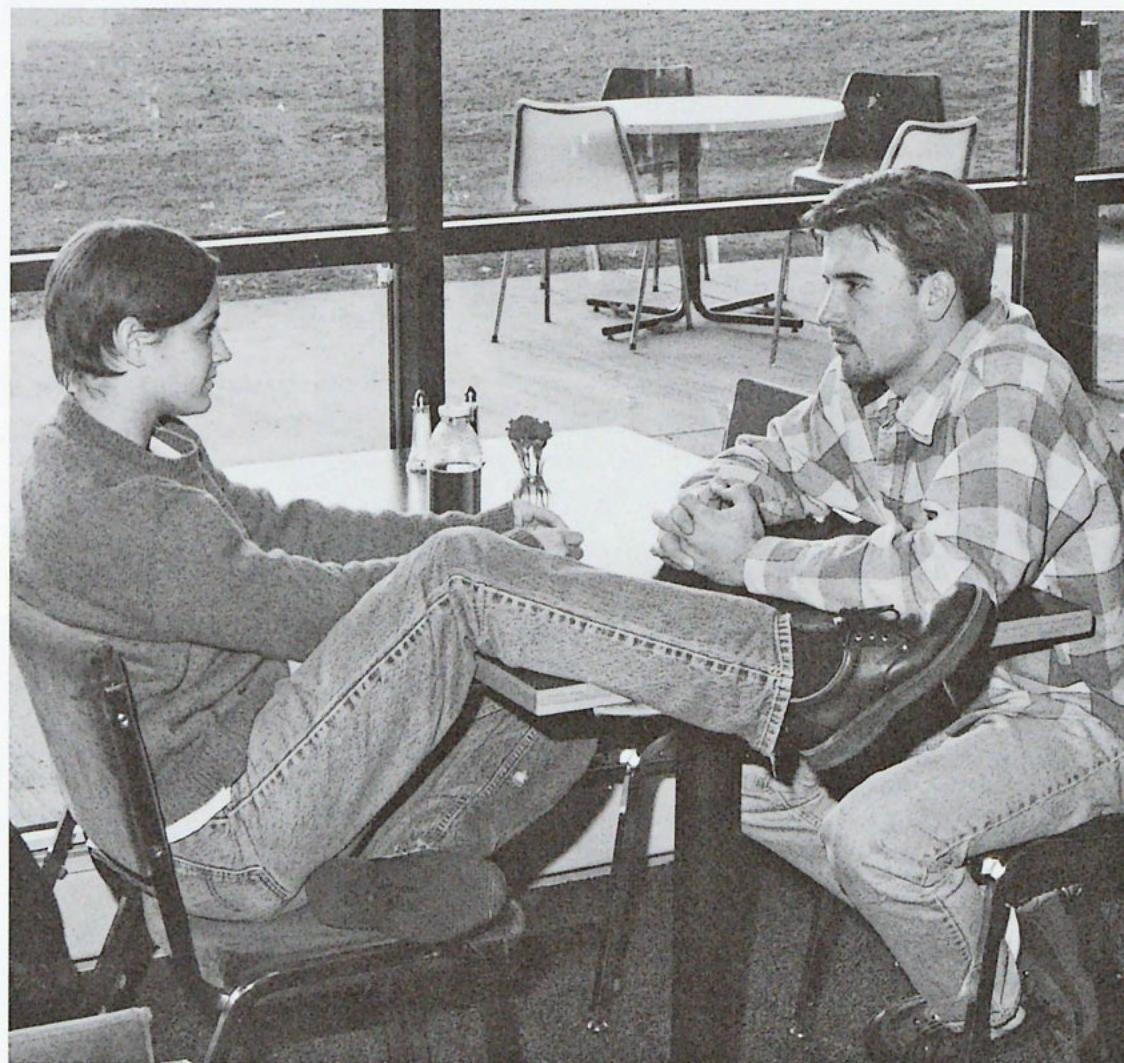
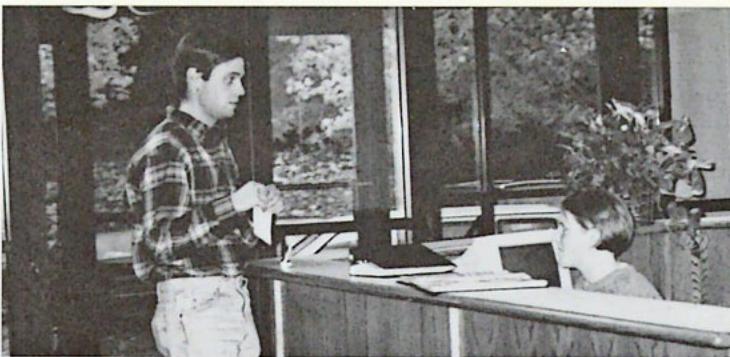
Juniors and seniors may have remembered the food service before Bon Appétit or the library previous to the resource center. At one time, the food service heard only complaints. Bon Appétit changed this by adding variety to the menu. The library was in a different location. Instead of having the large, spacious resource center, the fourth floor of Nazareth Hall was utilized for this purpose.

The Eagle's Nest, remodeled by Bon Appétit, underwent many new renovations. The cozy, diner-style booths were replaced by a brighter and more modern atmosphere of tables and chairs. The game room that once occupied the Eagle's Nest was moved to a more convenient location in the upper level of the Robertson Student Center.

Changes in the student center also took place. Many of the bright blues, oranges, greens and golds from the 70's were replaced by more modern purples and blues of the 90's.

Blueprints were begun for the building of a new dormitory. In the future, new and improved on-campus housing will continue to emerge.

Where's the donut?
Bart Fischer and Emily Mohrland exchange a few words. The new "pentagon" replaced the old circular orange student center desk. (Photo by Amy Dunton)



Oblivious to the world
Many students, including Michelle Campbell and Michael Lauritzen, find the Eagle's Nest the perfect place to kick back and socialize. (Photo by Dale Lewis)

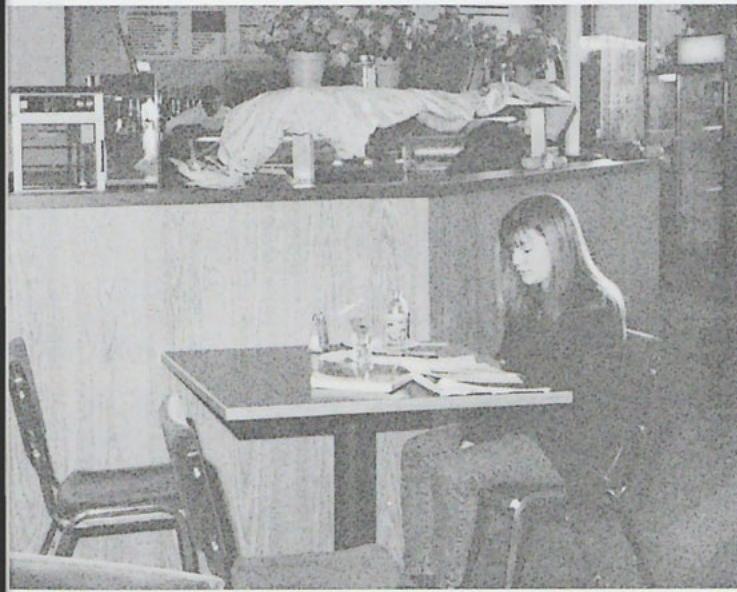
Table talk
Mulling over the day's activities, Bethany Theobald and some friends enjoy snacks from the Eagle's Nest's new menu. (Photo by Amy Dunton)



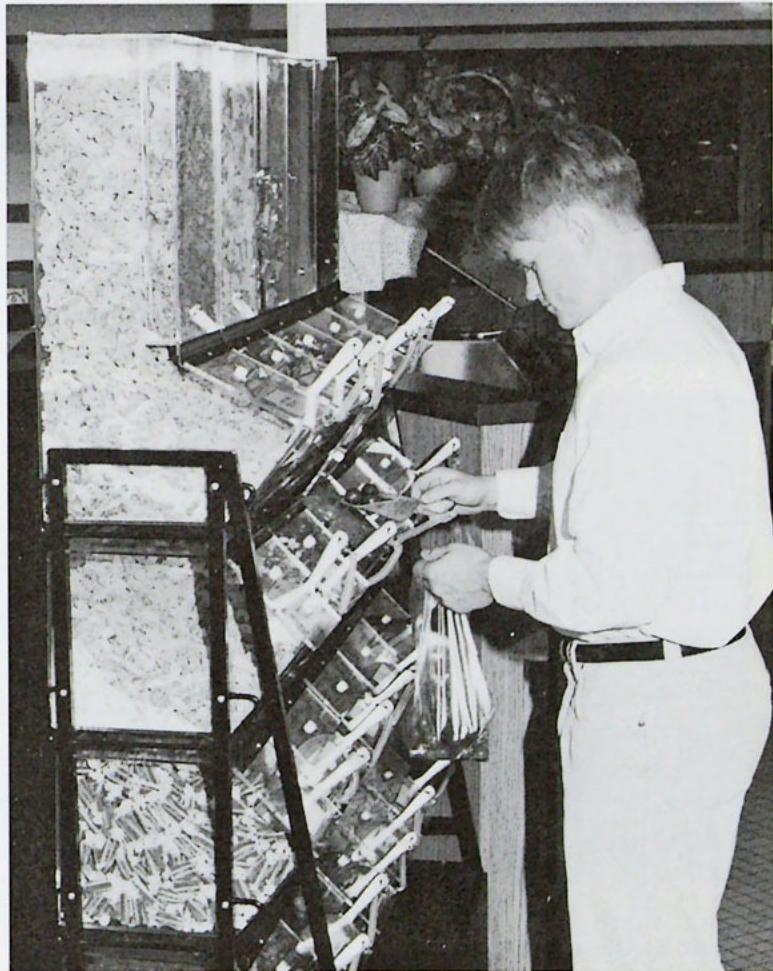


It's Fruitfull!
To keep up with the demand for "natural" foods, Bon Appétit offers a variety of healthy snacks including popsicles. (Photo by Dale Lewis)

Have a nice day
Hard at work, Heidi Johnson serves Jeff Schmoll. The Eagle's Nest offered baked goods and ice cream along with the traditional burgers and fries. (Photo by Dale Lewis)



Study Break?
Refusing to put away her books, Laurel Barger intently reviews her notes. Although usually noisy, the Eagle's Nest did have some quiet moments for studying. (Photo by Dale Lewis)



Sweet tooth
Taking advantage of the variety of candy, Alan Dunham scoops out a large portion of malted milk balls. The selection of candy was a welcome edition to the Eagle's Nest. (Photo by Dale Lewis)

* Speaking of Christmas *

Relaxation...

The Greek lounge allows Tasha Perry and Meg Mieling a chance to recline during the business of the Christmas season. Visitors could munch on olives, fig newtons, apples or sip grape juice. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)

Decorations...

All tied up, Adam Burr, gets a little carried away decorating his door. Adam was one of the few men who decorated his door for the annual door decorating contest. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



Jesus Birth...

Dressed for the part, Nathan Seibel and Shanel Seibel pose as Joseph and Mary in a corner stable of the Student Center. Various "animals" accompanied the couple. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)

Parties...

"Let's Disco!" Ethan Johnson and Chris Krebsbach groove at the party in the 70's lounge. The decorations were complete with a mirror ball and peace and love signs. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)





The Christmas Story...
At the annual reading of the Christmas Story, President Erickson shares a new perspective with his reading of Davy's First Christmas. This story was a tradition in his family. (Photo by Jason Stoll)



Food...
Rather than wait for the main course, Brad Aust and Justin Vegge skip right to dessert. Besides the pie-eating contest, a turkey bowl and musical chairs were some of the other games offered. (Photo by Jason Stoll)



Brrr...
Pretending to be freezing, Heather Glasser and Benjamin Andrew "warm" themselves by a trash can fire in the 30's lounge. The theme carried out in the end lounges was "Christmas through time." (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



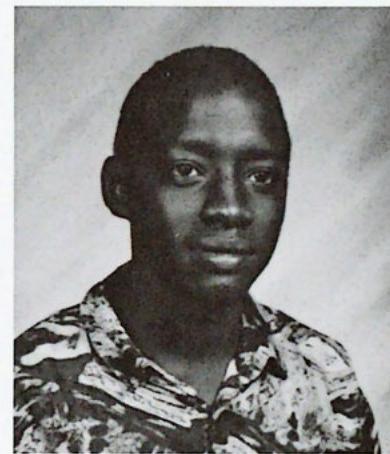
As these four stories show...

Different is Good

A Frigid Homecoming

Although born in Minnesota, Kip as he was commonly called, grew up in Nairobi, Kenya. This tri-lingual nineteen-year-old chose Northwestern because the college combined his major of finance with Christian teaching. When asked what impacted him about Northwestern, Kip replied, "the Christian aspect and emphasis." He said the major differences about Minnesota are the weather, the language and the behavior. He said that the language in Kenya was much more formal, and the behavior was much more respectful. Kip played soccer and thoroughly enjoyed his classes.

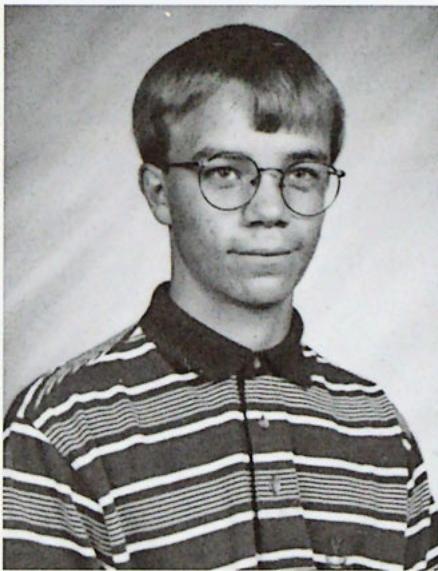
- April Nagy



Kipruto Yego

Fact: Kip chose NWC over Bethel—his father's alma mater!

Wiz Kid



Mark Alen

His major was biology. He'd like to enter the field of environmental science. His biggest secret? Freshman, Mark Alen was just seventeen years old. When he began his first quarter, he was only sixteen!

Mark attended a work-at-your-own-pace high school and found the work so simple that he graduated early. Although he has found college to be less difficult than he thought it would be, he still claimed that he "learned a lot since being here."

Mark did not regret his early leap into college but said that it would have been a lot harder for him at a secular college. Mark said he didn't feel treated differently because very few people knew his age.

Fall quarter, he played soccer, took eighteen credits and ended with a 3.9 grade point average.

- April Nagy

Fact: Mark's birthday is January 20, 1980!

Balancing Books and Bottles



Lisa, Larry and Isaac Schultz

Think juggling school and work was difficult? Lisa and Larry Schultz not only juggled school and work but also marriage and a small child. Isaac Schultz was a mild-tempered twenty-month old baby and because of his parents' efforts, did not have to play in a daycare all day long. Lisa and Larry attempted to arrange their class schedules so that Isaac could be with one of them at all times. When they did have classes the same hour, they placed Isaac in the care of a student-friend.

Both Lisa and Larry said that the hardest part was knowing that "school doesn't stop for a sick child." Lisa was a Christian ministries major

and would graduate with an associate degree in youth ministries. Larry was getting his degree in Bible. They decided to attend Northwestern because of Lisa's previous attendance as well as the attendance of the rest of her family. However, they planned to transfer to Crown College next year because the environment will be much more conducive to married students with children.

Although balancing school and a baby was a struggle, Larry and Lisa just kept thinking that "it is only for this school year." After this year, they would alternate their education years.

- April Nagy

Fact: You can fit a stroller in the lockers!

Man of Courage

Wally Hollen—father of four, grandpa, college senior, survivor—graduated with a broadcasting major. What made him return to school with students half his age? "The short story," he said, "is Jesus Christ and KTIS." The long story was one of endurance and survival. After Wally was laid off from a naval missile-repair company, he and his wife were hit by a young woman who ran a red light. She split their car into two pieces, shattering his wife's spinal vertebrae and causing severe brain damage to him.

Although everyone else except their pastor had given up, the Hollens persevered. Mrs. Hollen healed miraculously and Wally was placed in Courage Center for rehabilitation. There, Wally said he was treated with respect and given responsibility. He also made a miraculous recovery, and in the spring of 1994, he returned to a college campus. Wally said he and his family were looking forward to being out of school. Although he had no plans for a job, he was optimistic about the future.



Wallace Hollen

- April Nagy

Fact: Wally graduated from Northwestern the same year as his son graduated from high school!

Intramurals:

It's not just for jocks anymore

Intramurals were a popular aspect of student life this past year. With volleyball, men's and women's basketball, snow football and broomball offered, almost anyone of any athletic ability could participate. If those activities were not of interest, the intramural staff also offered a variety of special events including a bowling night along with pool and other such tournaments.

The most popular intramural sport according to staff supervisor, JoAnn Vanhuizen, was men's basketball. "It was also the most competitive sport," she added.

"What I like about intramurals are the teams that come back year after year," stated sophomore Clint Speiler. "It seems more like we're playing for the

college that way."

If an interested student was worried about an added time commitment when getting involved, he or she could rest assured knowing that only one or two games were played each week. For the thrifty student, the only sport that required a fee was broomball. The Intramural department required a \$25 team fee which reduced the amount of forfeiting on cold days and also enabled the staff to pay referees regardless of a "no-show." No limits were put on team size except co-ed sports which required ten male and ten female participants. To top off the grandeur of intramurals, each member of the winning team received a t-shirt.

- Amanda Paulson



STRETCH!

Opposing players attempt to block the shot while Mark Cecil prepares to block it's entry away from the goal. Broomball was considered to be an "extreme" sport. (Photo by Jason Stoll)



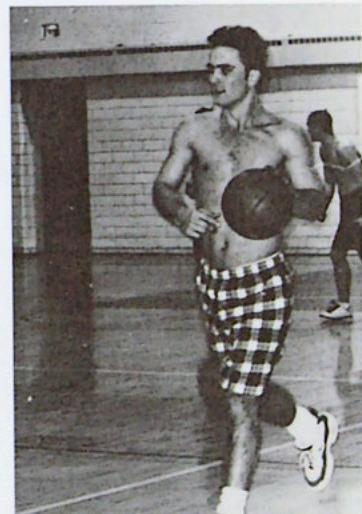
QUICK PASS

Looking for an open teammate, Jennifer Dale attempts to pass the ball. Players and spectators alike enjoyed the fun of intramurals. (Photo by Jason Stoll)



A NATIONAL PASSTIME?

With tenaciousness, Lon Bjornrud defends an opposing player. Frozen Lake Johanna was home to intramural broomball. (Photo by Jason Stoll)



NO DEFENSE

Taking his time, Rick Johnson slows down the game. Men's teams outnumbered women's teams almost two to one. (Photo by Jason Stoll)

FAST BREAK

Pushing the ball up the court, Jennifer Chitwood looks for an open teammate. Many students used "IMs" as a way to keep up their skills as well as get exercise. (Photo by Jason Stoll)

Commitment...Enjoyment...



While building relationships with one another, members of Northwestern College International Student Association (NWISA), It's Time and Mu Kappa use hand gestures to line up in birthday order without speaking. The Racial and Ethnic Diversity on Campus (REDOC) clubs held the "Friendship Adventures" retreat on September 14 that allowed students to bond and grow. (Photo by Kristian Kahrs)

Organizations

What's the word?... What's the word?...

In a word... Involvement. Or two... Christ centered. Okay, three... fun and enjoyment. Four?... lots of committed people. Despite the difficult task of balancing social, academic, and spiritual lives, students managed to take advantage of the opportunity to enhance the everyday schedule of a regular school day by participating in various organizations. From the newer campus clubs including Student Alumni Association and Mu Kappa to older organizations such as Student Missions Fellowship and the Northwestern College Student Association, there was a niche for every student.

While encouraging and facilitating the interaction of students with others, students could express both individuality and spirituality and meet with others who carried similar interests and goals. Opportunities included various on-campus academic and social clubs, local journalism and broadcasting organizations and even Christian service organizations that extended world-wide. With more than thirty organizations offered at Northwestern College, each added to the pace of students' lives and helped Northwestern maintain its high standard of achievement and commitment to Christ.

Kelly Anderson, Organizations Editor

Stepping Out

*Students take initiative
by accepting
leadership positions*

Ice Skating, Valleyfair, Midnight Movies, Floor Activities, Bible Studies... What do these activities all have in common? Each activity took place as a result of the leadership organizations on campus. Resident Assistants (RAs), Northwestern Student Association (NWSA) and those involved in Discipleship Teams each worked to provide entertainment, fellowship and spiritual growth for all students at Northwestern College. "We try to plan activities that students have enjoyed in the past and express an interest in," commented Bethany Theobald, NWSA Assistant Social Activities Director.

NWSA consists of a thirteen-member Senate and nine-member Administrative Council. The Senate is made of representatives from each class, commuting students,

RAs and Miss Northwestern.

Resident Assistants worked to make each student's life in the dorms a pleasant one. "Our main job is to organize floor activities so that residents can get to know each other and have fun," explained Carmen Kock.

Discipleship

Teams coordinated Bible studies on campus, organized spiritual growth activities such as "La Luz" and held accountability sessions for Floor Discipleship Assistants (FDA's), and RA's. FDA's lead Bible studies in each

resident hall.

The initiative each student leader accepted was beneficial to the entire student body. Their efforts affected their peers in the areas of spiritual growth, fellowship and entertainment.

• • • • •
• It's always funny
• when another RA
• locks herself out,
• and I get to let
• her in!!!
• -Carmen Kock
• • • • •



TAKE ONE, PASS IT DOWN NWSA members help fill care packages during finals week fall quarter. Each package was "sent" from parents and given to students to relieve stress. The assembly line of goodies ranged from candy, kleenex and even a pen. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)

LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION! Moyer Resident Director Adrienne Graves videotapes Moyer Open House Activities during fall quarter. Resident Directors and RA's worked together throughout the year to plan various activities. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



KNUTSON RESIDENT ASSISTANTS FRONT: Dave Kennedy, RD, Jonathan Caldwell, Nathan Seibel. BACK: Nathanael Morris, Kevin Langmaack, Ethan Johnson, Philip Hodges, Jesse Selness, Jason Norman, Benjamin Andrew. (Photo by Brian Tanning)



NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE STUDENT ASSOCIATION (NWSA) FRONT ROW: Quint Towle, Scott Thompson, Justin Hosking. BACK ROW: Katie Smith, Bethany Theobald, Jessa Thompson, Angela Schrade, Heather Glasser, Mandie Bolton, Carin Meiners, Monica Groves. (Photo by Dale Lewis)



DISCIPLESHIP TEAM COORDINATORS: Trisha Hermanson, Jessa Thompson, Dean Paulson, Reagan Grelle, Heather Glasser, Jessica Krueger, Margaret Carlson. (Photo by Brian Tanning)



SOUTH CAMPUS RESIDENT ASSISTANTS: Darin Glanzer, RD, Gina Dahl, Christina Allen, Todd Wahlstrom. (Photo by Brian Tanning)



HARTIL RESIDENT ASSISTANTS FRONT ROW: Kimberly Mallery, Melissa Chandler, Nancy Holman, RD, Susan Long. BACK ROW: Michelle Selk, Heather Brown, Jennifer Powell, Carmen Kock, Jennifer Emery, Erin Goodwin. (Photo by Brian Tanning)



MOYER/HARTILL RESIDENT ASSISTANTS FRONT ROW: Zoie Glass, Mariellen Hall, Sarah Holmes. BACK ROW: Christine Krebsbach, Adrienne Graves, RD, Amanda Dietz, Megan Mieling, Anne Endersbe, Shannon Rising. (Photo by Brian Tanning)

Helping Hands

Passionate students reach out through various campus outreach ministries

Tired of doing homework? Frustrated with your roommates? Bored on a Friday night? At various times during the year, many students could answer yes to these questions. The answer was often campus outreach ministries. Outreach ministries allowed students to put Christianity into action off-campus.

The Union Gospel Mission Team was a group of students who led songs of praise and shared a message with homeless men once a month. Started over a year ago by Quint

Towle, this ministry has expanded from two to up to six members. Students spent time talking and ministering to the men after each session. One of the ministry's activities included handing out candy cane reindeer and other various treats during Christmas.

A group of over twenty students also served as mentors and tutors Hospitality House on Monday nights. These students helped first through eighth grade children with homework and spent time playing basketball and jumping rope with them as well. "Hospitality House opened my eyes to the need for children to have mentors to look up to." commented Jennifer Reisdorfer.

A number of nursing home and retirement center teams were also a part of Northwestern's outreach ministries. Students visited with the elderly at various times during the year. Many read, sang, or just talked to residents as a way to show their love.

Northwestern Evangelical Team works (N.E.T.works), a street evangelizing team, was made of two groups of students who were given the opportunity to share the gospel on the streets and in the coffee-houses of downtown Minneapolis.

Venturing out on both Tuesday and Friday nights as well as Saturday mornings allowed students to meet and talk with a variety of people from all walks of life.

Campus Crusade For Christ was a group of ten students who ministered the gospel to secular college campuses around the twin cities and even as far as Wisconsin. This group met on Monday nights and had occasional guest speakers. Campus Crusade also called students who had previously shared an interest in Christianity or just to talk to those who were in need. Overall, 65% of Northwestern students were involved in outreach ministries.

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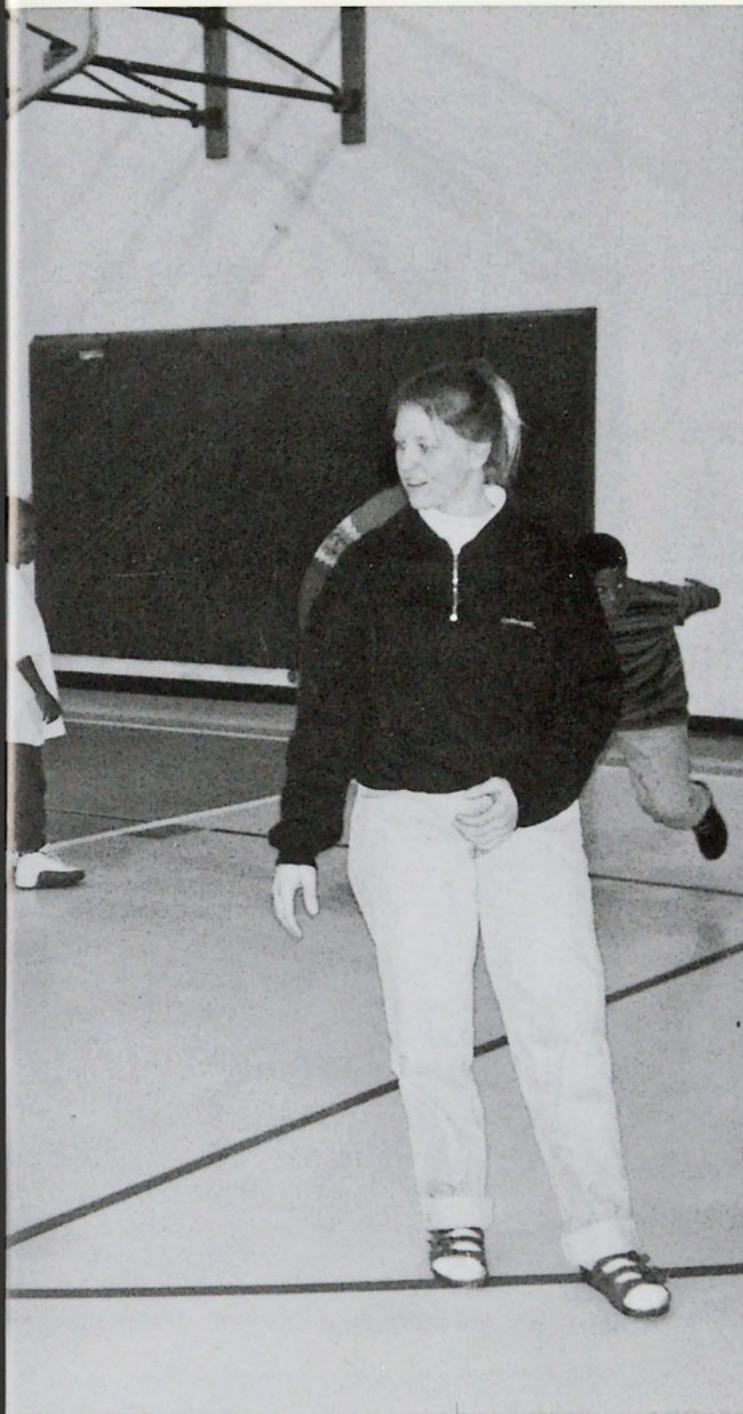
-Jennifer Reisdorfer



Concentrate Keeping his eyes on the net, a member of Hospitality House concentrates on making a basket. Over twenty students from Northwestern were volunteer tutors for Hospitality House in North Minneapolis on Monday nights. This outreach ministry helped students get involved in the community.

Hospitality House FRONT ROW: Christa Sands, Andrea Nybo, Tessa Weber, Jennifer Sandmeyer. SECOND ROW: Michelle Skelena, Anne Weavers, Jeannine Ulasich, Jennifer Sandmeyer, Bethany Homrig. BACK ROW: Jeff Schmoll, Nate Murphy, Derek Johnson.





NORTHWESTERN EVANGELICAL TEAM WORKS (N.E.T.WORKS) Friday Night Team:
Jennifer Jones, Melissa Carroll, Brennan Doyle, Rebecca George, Marindy Zoschke.



NORTHWESTERN EVANGELICAL TEAM WORKS (N.E.T.WORKS) Tuesday Night and Saturday Morning Team: FRONT ROW:Natalya Bessonov, Michelle Ewing, Erich Folkman, Robert Kroontje. BACK ROW:Sharla Regehr, David Bothe, Sara Rose, Erich Folkmann



UNION GOSPEL MISSION TEAM FRONT ROW: Candace Hauge, Jill Mccune, Kelly Anderson, Holly Halverson, Mailee Lee, Wylder Klien, Taryn Alfredson, Quint Towle



CAMPUS CRUSADE FOR CHRIST FRONT ROW: Gwen Hess, Tina Shaffer, Colleen Fish, Angel Palmer, Sarah Mcrone. BACK ROW: Duane Hess, Jason Crosby, Josh Brekke, Pat Kelly, Cameron Bayne, Scott Pitch.

Rise to the Challenge

Students express their talents and share interests with others

What do History Club, Political Science Club, Art Club, Sigma Tau Delta, and Student Ambassadors have in common? Each individual made the decision to go the extra mile and get involved with others who had similar interests and talents.

History Club and Political Science Clubs are two different organizations, but their members found the two groups integrated often. They met as one on a few occasions throughout the year. History Club members do not need to be history majors. It is more of a social group that met for various activities pertaining to history. Political Science Club was busy during election time. They interviewed candidates and gave students information about each candidate and encouraged students to vote.

Art Club is a new organization on campus this year. It was founded to give students who enjoy and appreciate art the chance to participate in activities with others who share the same interests, according to Art Club member Mike Driscoll. Members were not limited to art majors. Anyone was welcomed. They visited the Minneapolis Institute of Art and a snow sculpture was created.

Sigma Tau Delta is a national English honor society. Members must meet strict criteria for admittance, but anyone can attend activities. Sigma Tau Delta plans many activities throughout the school year such as a charades pizza party, White-Elephant Christmas Party, and a book sale. They also sponsored a poetry reading of the "Magnetic Giraffe" and attended the play "Someone to Watch Over Me."

Student Ambassadors gave tours to prospective students, parents and visitors to campus. The tour included all the major buildings as well as interesting historical information. Tours were conducted upon request. "Student Ambassadors are the Admissions Office's little helpers," said Travis Wilson. Wilson enjoys being a Student Ambassador because it gives him a chance to brag about the school.

History Club, Political Science Club, Art Club, Sigma Tau Delta, and Student Ambassadors are groups that encourage partnering with others who share the same interests.



WANNA TRADE? (Above) Heather Brown models her gift at the Annual White-Elephant Christmas Party at Dr. Black's home as Erin Mahler looks on. The White-Elephant Christmas Party is one of many activities Sigma Tau Delta sponsors throughout the year. These activities are open to anyone. (Photo by Carrie Lewis)

WHAT NEXT? (Right) Prospective students exit the Blue Room after walking through the activities fair and grabbing a free t-shirt from the Admissions office. "Student Ambassadors are the Admissions Office's little helpers," says Travis Wilson. Over 200 students attended this year's Youth Conference in January. (Photo by Jason Stoll)

STUDENT AMBASSADORS (Not Pictured): Jessica Adam, Christian Biehn, David Bothe, Andrew Britz, Jennifer Emery, Jill Evans, Gianna French, Mariellen Hall, Justin Hosking, Elizabeth Munn, Heather Nameth, Natalie Nirgude, Andrea Nybo, Richard Redding, Heather Ronzheimer, Michelle Sklena, Nathan Wald, Erin Mahler, Alan Dunham, Sara Harms.



ART CLUB: Tasha Perry, Sarah Hansen, Andrew Shold, Michael Driscoll, Andrew Johnson, John Satre, Kevin Langmaack, Jenna Walter, Karynn Pottorff. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



HISTORY CLUB BACK ROW: Tim Anderson, Clary Lorner, John Vaughn, Darren Zetek, Jenny Fast, Michelle Torgerson, Carrie Glenny, Jason Campbell. MIDDLE ROW: Jonathon Butler, Dr. Billington, Nathan Ammermann, David Ondercin, David Redding, Chad Knutson, Krista (Katie) Turner, Cassandra Isbell, Janie Nelson. FRONT ROW: Erin Mehlhoff, Shauna Barrineau, Loren Groeneweg, Dr. Aling. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



POLITICAL SCIENCE CLUB: Dr. Billington, David Ondercin, Darren Zetek, Jenny Fast, Michelle Torgerson, Carrie Glenny. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



STUDENT AMBASSADORS BACK ROW: Andrew (A. J.) King, Angela Helmbrecht, Jenna Nelson, Sarah Lou Harder. MIDDLE ROW: Travis Wilson, Rebekah Ostercamp, Melinda Christensen, Melissa Kirkpatrick, Shanel Seibel. FRONT ROW: Mary Krueger, Katie Arnold. (Photo by Ken Faffler)

A New Outlook

Combining differences, students bridge the gap between being a club and being a ministry

Whether it was an age difference between alumni and student, cultural differences between color, nationality or upbringing, or simply a ministry "on fire" for the Lord, students worked with differences and created new outlooks on life.

Diversity and culture played an important role at Northwestern and could be found through each of the Racial and Ethnic Diversity On Campus (REDOC) organizations. The Northwestern International Student Association (NWISA) focused on helping students adjust to cultural differences. "I had no fear of coming to the United States, but I did wonder about how people would accept me, and about communication difficulties," explained sophomore Gosia Tomczyk who is from Poland.

Mu Kappa International, one of Northwestern's newest organizations, is an on-campus club for the children of missionaries. The purpose was to regularly validate the background and experience of students who grew up on the mission field, and to provide a family-like atmosphere while adjusting to the United States. "Mu Kappa is beneficial to me because the people understand me and the problems I face," said junior Jennifer Heyer who grew up in Brazil. Mu Kappa encouraged learn-

ing about each other's experiences in an open atmosphere of Christian Fellowship. The group held small activities as well as Bible studies every other Tuesday in the Student Center.

It's Time consisted primarily of minorities and students of color and helped members learn how to deal with feelings of being a minority on campus. The group was open to all

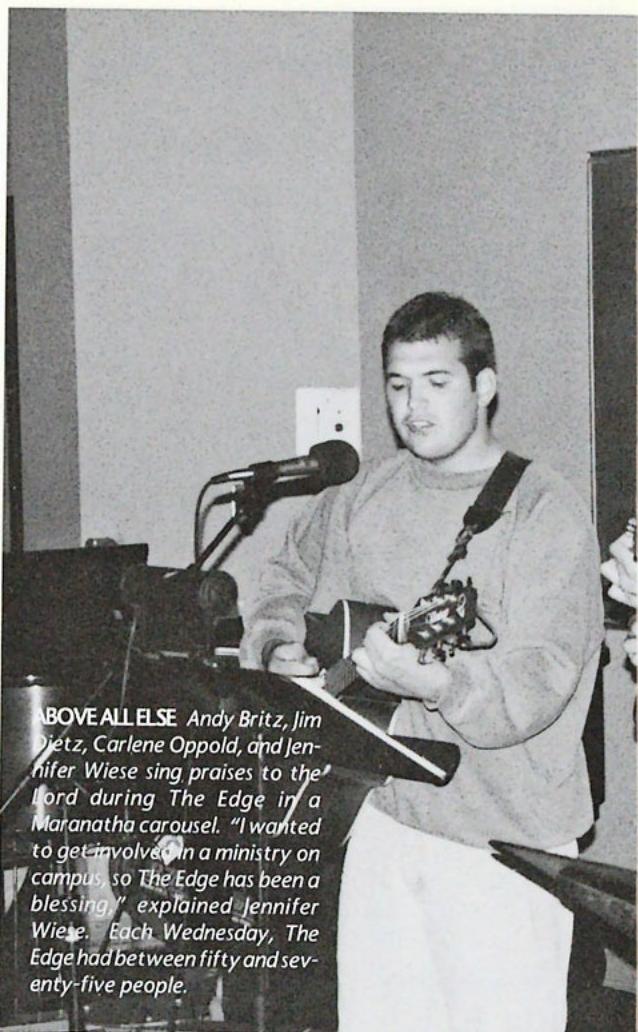
students and included educating and unifying the student body about racial diversity on campus. "To me, everyone is a minority because we all have a unique background," explained senior Irma Brito.

Reinforcing the consistent support received from former graduates, students were able to join the Student Alumni Association. This group consistently kept in contact with Northwestern Alumni and sold afghans and other Northwestern paraphernalia during Homecoming and sporting events.

The Edge is a praise and worship organization that meets on Wednesday evenings. Students "on-fire" for Jesus came from Northwestern, Bethel and other surrounding colleges on a regular basis. "I have seen people come out of terrible situations. We have alter calls and sometimes people give testimonies. The whole thing is like a vision, it's not like a normal thing. The reward is every night," explained leader Brian Zibell.

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-Brian Zibell



ABOVE ALL ELSE Andy Britz, Jim Djetz, Carlene Oppold, and Jennifer Wiese sing praises to the Lord during The Edge in a Maranatha carousel. "I wanted to get involved in a ministry on campus, so The Edge has been a blessing," explained Jennifer Wiese. Each Wednesday, The Edge had between fifty and seventy-five people.



HOOP STAR Taking time out of the REDOC retreat in the fall, senior Irma Brito slam dunks. The three clubs enjoyed a weekend of games, eating, and fellowship. "The camp was hot and fly infested, but we learned to encourage and trust in one another."

THEREFORE Members of each of the three REDOC clubs listen as Dean Paulson speaks during orientation a week before school started. "The week was helpful because a lot of former students and faculty came to make us familiar with the people and culture here," explained Gosia Tomczyk.





STUDENT ALUMNI ASSOCIATION FRONT ROW: Sarah Pederson, Jamie Cooney-Fifield, Gail Thayer, Jessica Higgins. BACK ROW: Cheryl Weir, Kelly Anderson, Justine Lanktree, Dave Halstensgard, alumni director.



IT'S TIME Quoc-Khanh Nguyen, Kipruto Yego, Marci Heppner, Elaine Brown, Riccardo Jones, Eboni Johnson, Katherine Anthony



MU KAPPA FRONT ROW: Sarah Bowman, Ruth Olson, Jennifer Heyer, Sonja Theobald. BACK ROW: Clary Lorner, Dan Olson, Austin Dyck, Erin Mahler, Marci Heppner.



NORTHWESTERN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION (NWISA) FRONT ROW: Shinobu Torii, Lisa Kropf, Gosia Tomczyk, Kipruto Yego, Jeewon Shin, Ingrid Husan. BACK ROW: Misan Lee, Clary Lorner, Diana Maldonado, Kristen Kropf, Miroslav Chowaniok, Harald Endresen



THE EDGE FRONT ROW: Amy, Katie Parr, Sara Grunseth, Jennifer Wiese. BACK ROW: Wylder Klien, Brian Zibell, Jim Dietz, Josh Aberly, Jennifer Anderson, Andy Ostland.

Out and About

*Whether physically, mentally,
or spiritually organizations met
needs in all areas*

Northwestern offered clubs such as (FCA), Coram Deo, Guardian Angels, Barnabas and Timothy SMF and even the Urbana missions conference to help student focus on God.

Guardian Angels was an organization where students acted as "angels" to faculty or staff members of their choice. The students' encouraged them with small gifts, cards, and door decorations. There was also a "revealing party" in the spring where the angels identified themselves to their faculty or staff member. Barnabas and Timothy was a new organization designed to help new and transfer students. It was headed by junior, Natasha Perry.

These students were matched up with returning students to help make them feel more at home. Many students met weekly to discuss their problems or praises and to pray.

Coram Deo, "In God's Presence," was the gathering of a small group of students on Sunday nights at 9 p.m. in Nazareth Chapel. The hour consisted of prayer and songs of worship. Beth Tangeman, a freshman, said she went to Coram Deo because "It doesn't seem to matter what happens, but I always feel like God is doing something... My heart feels more open, and I feel closer to Him."

Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) was an organization open to all students for fellowship and fun. Students met weekly to encourage each other and talk about

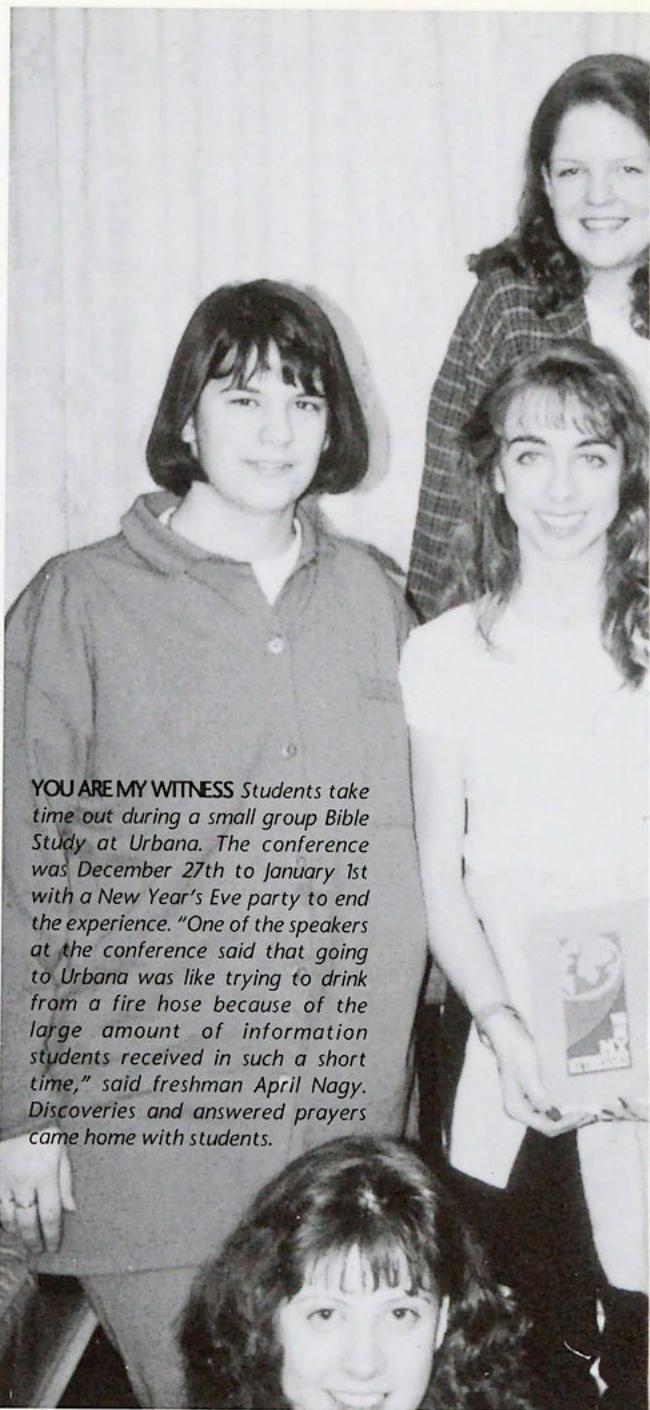
the benefits and pressures of being an athlete. Students also prayed for upcoming games.

Student Mission Fellowship (SMF) played an integral part in ministry at Northwestern through prayer and encouragement from various student committees. It also provided financial aid to those who went on missions trips. "Our goal was to heighten people's awareness about missions and encourage people to get involved,"

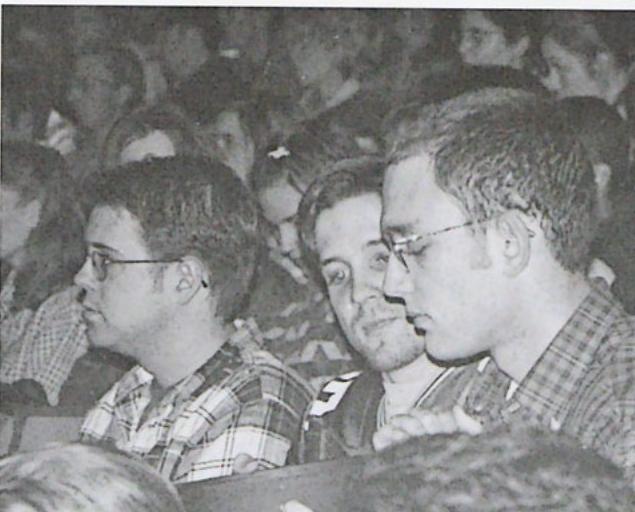
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explained SMF's president Tony Ressie. SMF also supported the Urbana Missions conference that took place over Christmas break. Almost fifty of our students attended the Urbana Conference over Christmas break. Urbana coordinator Paul Smith worked hard with other students to organize the trip to the University of Illinois in Champagne, Urbana. Each day began at 6:30 a.m. for breakfast and devotions followed by small group Bible study. Worship was at 9 a.m. followed by the first general conference of the day which included speakers, prayer and a time of learning and focusing on God. Each day included exhibits which advertised over three hundred different missions agencies. April Nagy, a freshman, said,

"I needed to go to Urbana in order to spend a week totally focused on God and His call... I know I've been called to Missions, but I needed to learn more about it... I gained some direction!"

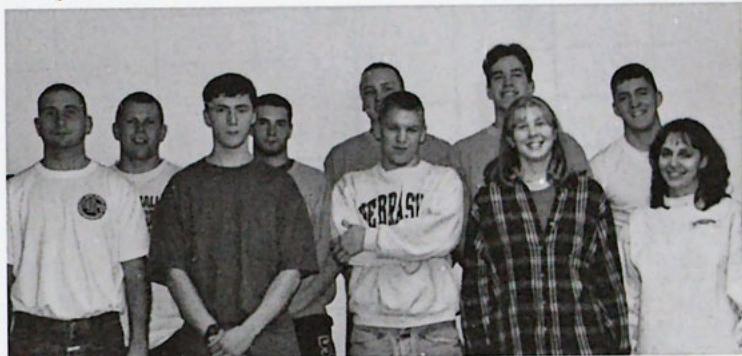


YOU ARE MY WITNESS Students take time out during a small group Bible Study at Urbana. The conference was December 27th to January 1st with a New Year's Eve party to end the experience. "One of the speakers at the conference said that going to Urbana was like trying to drink from a fire hose because of the large amount of information students received in such a short time," said freshman April Nagy. Discoveries and answered prayers came home with students.

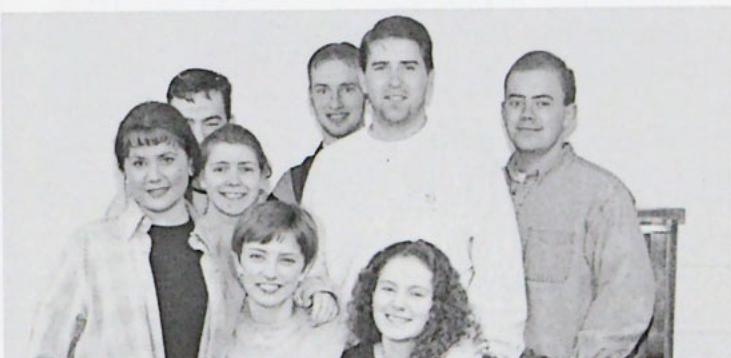




CORAM DEO FRONT ROW: Amy Bergquist, Mandy Paulson, Katie McElmurry, Beth Tangeman, Megan Brandt BACK ROW: Angel Palmer, Bonnie Peterson, Dustin Defoe, Jason Defoe, Aimee Klein (photo by Trisha Gibson).



FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES (FCA) FRONT ROW: Cade Lambert, Aaron Wilford, Chad Miller, Emily Crabtree, Rebecca Angell BACK ROW: Jason Scmidt, Tim Tacheny, Jason Folkman, Marshall Goodenow, John Gallagher (Photo by Trisha Gibson).



STUDENT MISSIONS FELLOWSHIP (SMF) FRONT ROW: Amy Marko, Sarah Grunseth, Justine Lund SECOND ROW: Ezra Mehlaff BACK ROW: Chris Bean, Tony Ressie, John Vaughn (Photo by Jason Stoll)

GIVING GLADLY Graciously taking part in the outreach ministry of Northwestern College, students give their tithe in support of students for spring, summer and departmental mission trips. Taken by Student Missions Fellowship during chapel every Friday, offering works as financial aid for those who have a heart for missions. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)

THANK YOU LORD... Lifting each other up in prayer, Fellowship for Christian Athletes (FCA) gathered together for fellowship and fun. Open to all students, FCA met on Wednesday nights to pray for upcoming games and encourage each other. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



Get the Message

Campus media strives to inform others while students gain experience

You said you lived in the "Northwestern Bubble?" You didn't have to. WVOE radio, NWC Report and *The Column* were all ways you could be informed about what was happening outside the bubble. They also told you what was happening inside the bubble. Phil Hodges, station manager of WVOE, said, "We are striving to find the best ways to serve the student body with up-to-the-second information and contemporary music."

The Column also reported current campus news and sports to students. A section in each edition was dedicated to world and national events. Most reporters for *The Column* were Communication and English majors and received experience for journalism careers.

NWC Report was begun to provide hands-on experience for students producing a newscast as a staff. Michele Thompson, producer of NWC Report, said, "Due to intense recruiting, we are seeing talented, dedicated new students joining the program." Thompson also noted that there was a second reason for the production of the NWC Report. "NWC Report is broadcast weekly on a local cable station providing the nearby suburban community with local

news that wouldn't get covered by the major TV stations."

The Speech Team also allowed students to expand their potential by improving their communication skills. Members of the Speech Team competed against Big Ten universities as well as smaller colleges and universities in Wisconsin, Minnesota and South Dakota. The Speech Team was a member of the Twin Cities Forensic League which met once a week. The majority of the

tournaments were on the weekends and usually required 4-6 weekends per quarter. Members participated in different categories i.e. informative or interpretive speeches. "I joined the Speech Team because I am a Communications major and wanted to gain experience in public speaking," explained Shannon Moline, a first year member.

WVOE, *The Column*, NWC Report and the Speech Team gave students hands-on experience for future careers. They also kept the student body and others informed. Those who felt that they lived in a bubble, could check out one of these sources of information. They were there to serve you.

"We are striving to find the best ways to serve the student body...."

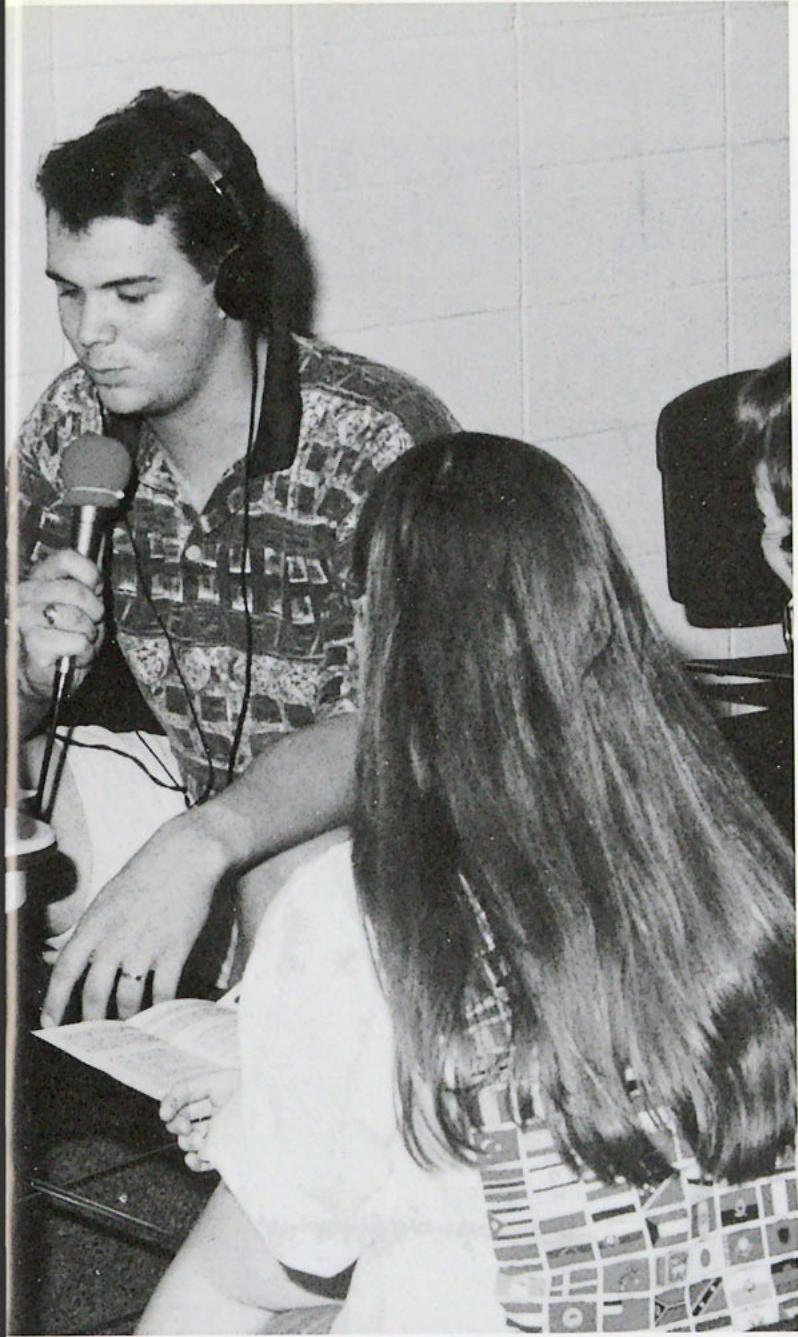
-Phil Hodges



ON AIR Emily Mohrland and Carl Bliss of WVOE radio broadcast live from the Student Center during Orientation Weekend. WVOE was a student-run radio station that aired only on-campus. Many students found contemporary Christian music beneficial and encouraging. (Photo by Dale Lewis)

HERE'S A MOUTHFUL! Taking a break during a fall speech meet, Tim Kowalik and members of the speech team eat lunch at Hardee's. Students on the speech team learned the significance of speaking well in public. (Photo by Jennifer Wiese)





SPEECHTEAM FRONT ROW: Sarah Hesley, Heather Klar, Jen Wiese, Beth Tangeman, Sara Radich, Dr. Tremaine. BACK ROW: Mr. Kowalik, Erinn Prischmann, Jennifer Tjossem, Candace Hauge, Bonnie Peterson. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



THE COLUMN FRONT ROW: Kristian Kahrs, Erin Mahler, Amy Ann Espeseth, Annalisa George, Trisca Farmer, Ruth Gunderson. BACK ROW: Jefferson Hagen, Sara Harder, Eric Youngberg, Natalie Nirgude. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



WVOE RADIO FRONT ROW: Carl Bliss, Todd Miller, Emily Mohrland, Caleb Backholm, Nathan Vincent. BACK ROW: Mike Harder, Jason Anderson, Phil Hodges, Nate Wald, Krystal Fry. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



NWC REPORT FRONT ROW: Jon Schock, Sarah Flatness, Kari Sternitzky, Michele Thompson. SECOND ROW: Jen Mauer, Marnie Tofel, Tristan Fischer, Nate Arant, Tami Schuhwerck, Sarah Gronberg, Rebekah Reberk, Carl Constable, Casey Petersen. BACK ROW: Johan Jonassen, Keith Anderson, Jason Crosby, Lisa Mounts, Marli Dowden, Jeremy Olsen, Kameron Bayne. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)

Heart...Soul...Passion...



MASQUERADE

Music by ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER
Lyrics by CHARLES HART
Additional lyrics by RICHARD STIGGOT

(photo by Rachael Nelli)

Performing Arts

With or without words....

Art forms are greatly appreciated as wonderful entertainment but may not always be associated with communication. However, they should be viewed as the voice of the heart and soul, enabling us to fully express the joy, love and passion we have for our Saviour.

Christ often spoke to his followers using parables, telling them stories to get his point across. Northwestern drama was used for story-telling, whether it was serious or lighthearted. This not only helped viewers understand what was said but the additional feeling and powerful emotion presented made it more appealing.

With or without words, music has been used to praise God for centuries. Throughout the Psalms, David continually encourages using music to worship. Musical ensembles on campus rehearsed and performed everything from classical chamber music to soul-gripping gospel.

At Northwestern College, members of the music and drama departments made every effort to communicate and witness to our surrounding communities. Hundreds of hours went into the preparation of every concert, the fall musical and the winter and spring plays. Throughout it all, students communicated servanthood and glorified our Lord.

Mandy Haster, Performing Arts Editor

GUILTY Suitor Douglas Moore, played by John Cunningham, confesses his true feelings for Rose, Dayna Anderson. She kept him at a distance by telling him he is almost the one for her. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



READY OR NOT Esther helps Rose and her female classmates prepare for graduation. They complained that girls never get to have any fun. (Photo by Jason Stoll)



SKIP TO MY LOU The young people of St. Louis gather at the Smith home for some fun. Esther, Lon and Rose hosted the party which was interrupted by their little sisters Tootie and Agnes. The song, "Skip to My Lou," started out with Lon and Tootie dancing before the others joined in. (Photo by Jason Stoll)



TV DINNER Katie, played by Kamela Sullivan, serves the family dinner while they wait in expectation for a long distance phone call. Esther was convinced that it would be a marriage proposal for Rose. (Photo by Jason Stoll)

HAPPY HOLIDAYS Friends and family celebrate Christmas at the ball while Esther, played by Tara Sasse, dances with the worst dancers. She endured toe-stepping, shoving, jerking and embarrassment until her grandfather stepped in and rescued her. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



The Cast

Grandpa Prophater	Richard Redding	Nancy	Bethany Weberg
Tootie	Angelica Tambornino	Emilia	Jenny Harrison
Agnes	Andrea Benzschawel	Becky	Heather Redlin
Katie	Kamela Sullivan	Sue	Natalie Westendorf
Mr. Smith	James Cunningham	Miss Rockwell	Angela Schrade
Mrs. Smith	Kathryn Feltmann	Dr. Bond	Nate Forsberg
Lon	Dallas Jenkins	CHORUS	
Rose	Dayna Anderson	Heidi Black	Heidi Maier
Esther	Tara Sasse	Kara Eggers	Deborah Moe
Douglas Moore	John Cunningham	Brittany Fisher	Erica Olson
Lucille Ballard	Melody Wolleat	Sarah Flint	Elaine Quinely
John Truitt	Damon Pfaff	Yvette Forrer	Ericka Schmiess
Frank Gregory	Sean Leonard Larson	Isaac Harms	Sarah Wanek
Chet Murphy	Joseph Levander	Tim Kerr	Merindy Zoschke
Peewee Drummond	Rob Brace	Lucita LaBelle	

HEY GOOD-LOOKIN! John Truitt, played by Damon Pfaff, serenades Esther Smith. He sang that she was for being loved by someone just as wonderful as she was and concluded that he could never be that one. (Photo by Jason Stoll)



CHICKEN HEARTS Rose Smith vows to marry the next man she shakes hands with. She sealed her vow by swallowing a chicken heart while sisters Esther and Tootie looked on in disbelief. (Photo by Jason Stoll)



ONE SORROWFUL DAY *The Smiths' mourn having to move to New York City. Mr. Smith changed his mind at the last minute and decided to stay near their loved ones. (Photo by Jason Stoll)*

Meet Me in St. Louis

Time backstage included Homework to roleplaying the Mafia

With only five and a half weeks to put together the 1996 musical, *Meet Me in St. Louis*, students invested many hours on the stage and backstage at Maranatha. Practices began Saturday, September 14, the afternoon after auditions were finished and the cast list was posted.

Tara Sasse, a senior drama major, exhibited her musical and acting abilities in her lead role as Esther Smith. She was in nearly every scene and practiced thirty to thirty-five hours a week for her part. This lead to a lack of relaxation time. However, she kept going with this busy schedule as "I realized who I was doing the show for—the Lord."

Damon Pfaff, sophomore, portrayed the breathtaking and desirable suitor, John Truitt. He spent about thirty hours a week practicing as well. He said that whenever he wasn't on stage during performances, he was either watching or was

doing his homework in the hallway.

Senior Richard Redding, who played Grandpa Prophater, noted that "being with friends and seeing how much they have grown with their acting potential" was the most memorable part of being involved. He added that this play confirmed these actors' versatility; on stage they were the perfect all-American family while backstage they pretended to be a family involved in the Mafia. It helped make time pass more quickly.

Meet Me in St. Louis was a musical filled with great choreography and acting. Many people felt that the storyline itself could have used some improvements, just like several other musicals written during this era. Nonetheless, these Northwestern students found a way to energize the three-hour production and create memories.

"VIVE LA COMPANE" is the melody performed by this talented quartet of Nate Forsberg, Rich Redding, Damon Pfaff and Joe Levander. They were the most impressive of all the bar acts. (Photo by Jason Stoll)



POPCORN! ROOTBEER! Sean Larson and Nate Forsberg prove that the play not only satisfies the audience's need for laughter but also their appetite. This melodrama provided the opportunity for audience involvement by allowing the audience to the villain with paper and popcorn. (Photo by Jason Stoll)



DESPERATE'S WORLD Ericka Schmies' character as a wise wife doesn't seem too concerned about her shaky marriage. Nate Forberg, the bartender, willingly offered her marital advise. (Photo by Jason Stoll)



CURSES! FOILED AGAIN Desperate Desmond, the conniving villain played by Larry Glassing, expresses his frustrations at his attempt to steal Nellie (Kathryn Feltmann) away from her loving family. This was quickly ruined by her father's (Bud Stuempert) intervention. (Photo by Jason Stoll)

ADRIFT IN NEW YORK

Seniors dramatically finish up their stage career with humor and style

"Adrift in New York," directed by senior Dallas Jenkins, presented a refreshing alternative to the usual Northwestern drama. This winter's play was a melodrama in which the audience was expected to participate with booing, hissing, cheering and even chucking popcorn bags at the villain.

"I think it was one of the best plays I have ever done because it was very audience-oriented," said senior John Cunningham who played the role of Jim Burke. At one of the performances, a member of the audience went so far as to throw a roll of toilet paper on stage.

Everyone who attended the play took advantage of their chance to be active participants. Their responses gave the actors more confidence. However, the audience's role took more work than just harassing the bad guy. Before the curtain opened, viewers were encouraged to sing the type of songs that everyone knew, such as "My Darling Clementine" and "She'll Be Comin' Around the Mountain."

Dallas Jenkins and his cast were thoroughly rewarded with a successful production--definitely a positive finale for many of the seniors featured.

CAST LIST

Bud Stuempert.....	Silas Weston
Jenny Powell.....	Martha Weston
Kathryn Feltmann.....	Nellie Weston
Sarah Wanek.....	Aunt Sarah Weston
James Cunningham.....	Jack Merriwell
Larry Glassing.....	Francis "Desperate" Desmond
John Cunningham.....	Jim Burke
Rob Brace.....	Hi Perkins
Nate Forsberg.....	Dan Fogarty
Jenny Harrison.....	Maggie "Old Mag" Clancy
Richard Redding.....	Mulligan
Ericka Schmiess.....	Sadie May
Sean Larson.....	Monty "The Dip" Moran
Tara Sasse.....	Lillian Morrison
Joe Levander.....	greeter and singer
Damon Pfaff.....	MC, greeter and singer

GOOD VS EVIL The fight begins as evil Desperate and the hero, Jack (Jim Cunningham) demonstrate their manliness. Jack would do whatever it took to win Nellie's love. (Photo by Jason Stoll)



BRRR!!!! Martha Weston , played by Jennifer Powell, wards off the cold winter wind in true melodramatic style. (Photo by Jason Stoll)



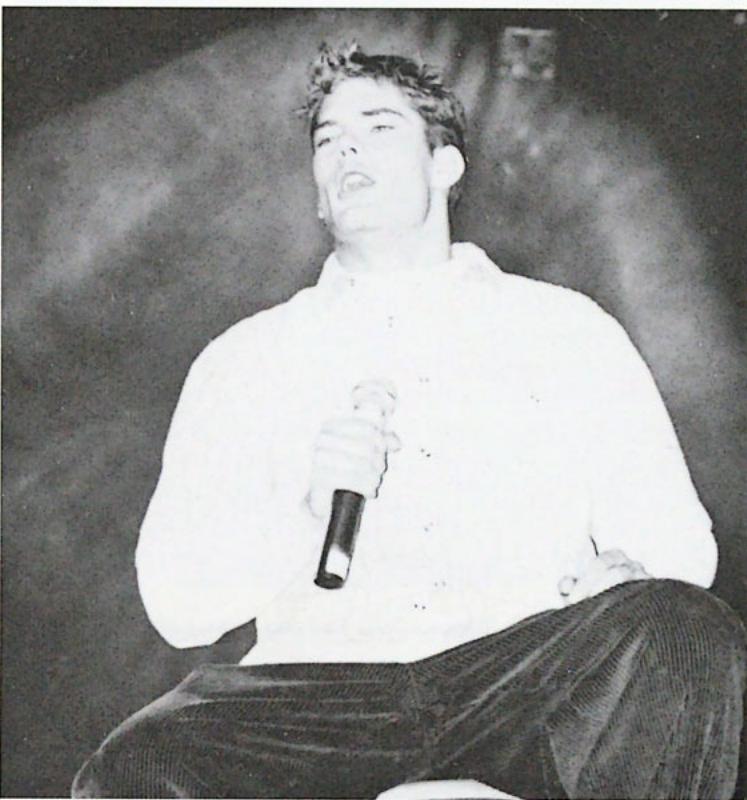
TRAGEDY STRIKES "I love you but it is not the kind of love you want!" Jack Merriwell was spurned by the love of his life, Nellie. (Photo by Jason Stoll)

A GRAB BAG FULL OF FUN

This year's acts diverse yet entertaining

Northwestern kicked off its promising year with the all-familiar Fall Variety Show. It was a great opportunity for talented students to take the stage, many for the first time. There was a variety of musical and dramatic entertainment presented for the audience's pleasure. These were demonstrated by acts such as first place winner Jeremy Erickson, who sang original compositions, and those on the more humorous side like Dallas Jenkins' and Sean Larson's duet of "What if I Fumble." A more theatrical and musical side of the RAs surprised everyone with a reinactment of "My Favorite Things" from the classic, "The Sound of Music."

WHAT IF I FUMBLE Dallas Jenkins and Sean Larson (not pictured) sang their rendition of "What if I Fumble" with great success. This duet was a football-centered spoof on D.C. Talk's hit "What if I Stumble." (photo by Rachael Nelli)



STORMY WEATHER Kara Eggers seductively sings her version of "Stormy Weather" to the enthralled audience. Kara was requested to appear in this year's variety show after a dynamic performance last year. (photo by Rachael Nelli)



RAINDROPS ON ROSES... Northwestern's RAs perform a famous scene from "The Sound of Music," much to the audience's enjoyment. (photo by Rachael Nelli)

WHATEVER! Mel Chandler, Amanda Dietz and Gina Dahl enact their entertaining version of the movie "Clueless." (photo by Rachael Nelli)

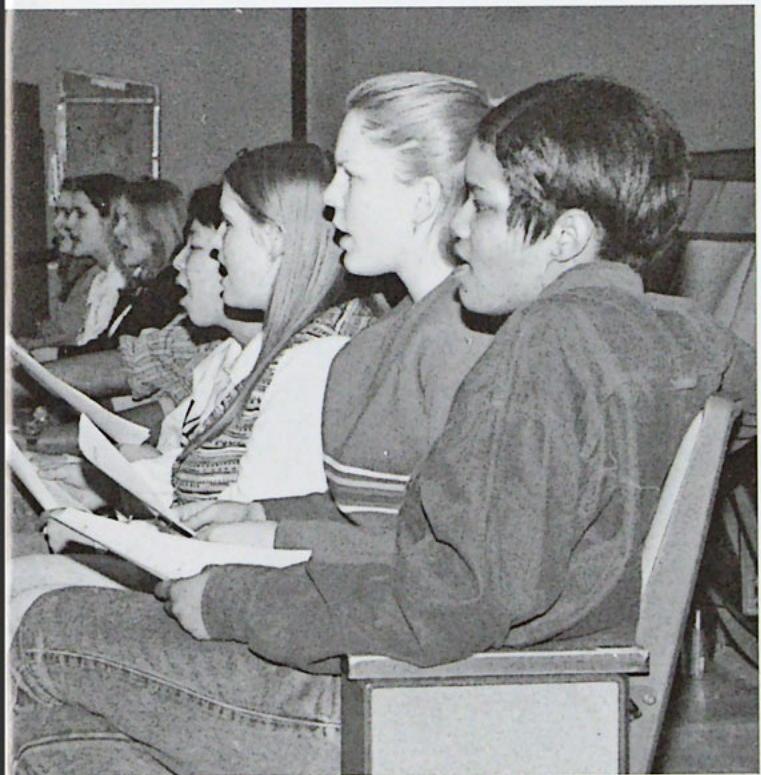


A LITTLE BIT OF FLAVA... A whole lot of soul

Gospel Choir was a new addition to Northwestern's music department. Anyone who was dedicated to God and music and had the desire to add a little spice to their worship was welcome to join the choir. The mission and purpose of the group was to glorify God through music. Cerah Tymoshuk enjoyed the unique differences between our Gospel Choir and the more traditional choir, commenting that "other choirs are structured and conservative, but Gospel Choir allows for more expression of creativity and individuality."

Chad Wahlberg understood that worshipping God was the key to Gospel Choir and mentioned that "it was a time to really focus on the Holy Spirit and experience His presence in a real way."

PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT Gospel Choir practice is more of a time for worship than a time of rehearsal. Gospel Choir met every Wednesday for an hour. (Photo by Jason Stoll)



HARD WORK IN PROGRESS Cathy Case, Heather Tetamore and Sarah Vredenburg concentrate on the instructions of their director, Tamara Haskin. They also gave the music a little style of their own. (Photo by Jason Stoll)

SING A JOYFUL NOISE The women of Gospel Choir diligently practice "He Can Handle It." A variety of soulful selections such as this gave Gospel Choir its unique sound. (Photo by Jason Stoll)

THREE EQUALS ONE

Northwestern's choirs combine to create one great sound

Women's Chorale, Male Chorus and College Choir were three choirs at Northwestern. They all had their own uniqueness as groups beyond the obvious. Jenny Thompson, a freshman member in the Women's Chorale stated that she enjoyed their weekly devotions. Whereas Justin VanNingen, a sophomore in the Male Chorus, said that the wide variety of music that they got to sing was the most enjoyable for him. College Choir section leader, junior Scott Alexander, said that "everyone else" was what he got joy out of.

When asked if they liked performing for audiences, Rebecca Silrum, a freshman in Women's Chorale, responded with, "Yes, because it's what we work for the whole time; the hard work pays off." Kendra Carlson, junior College Choir member, stated that she enjoyed singing for audiences because she could then share Jesus and the gospel through music.

Although each choir had a distinctive difference from one another, it is no doubt a higher level of commitment was needed to be a member in these three musical groups.

SING A JOYFUL SONG Elaine Quinley, Sara Berg, Cybil Jones, Jeewon Shin and Heather Brown sing out as they warm up for a concert. (Photo by Dale Lewis)



COLLEGE CHOIR FRONT ROW: Heidi Maier, Jeewon Shin, Erin Mehlhoff, Alissa Peckosh, Kendra Prunty, Shannon Severson, Kristi Jorgensen, Heather Gehlsen, Melissa Nakata, Heather Nordquist, Tara Sasse. SECOND ROW: Yvette Forrer, Heidi Kuehnast, Elaine Quinley, Tanya Beckard, Melody Wolleat, Hannah Johnson, Marissa Carroll, Katherine Deming, Erin Schroeder, Mariellen Hall, Rachel Roelofs, Rebekah Sherman. THIRD ROW: Kendra Carlson, Sarah Berg, Sara Brandenburg, Kari Hamel, Megan Wagner, Stacie Ratzlaff, Kristy Johnson, Sara Booth, Heather Brown, Kara Eggers, Cybil Jones, Kara Konsor, Bethany Weberg. FOURTH ROW: Ryan Durfee, Carl Constable, Nathan Oyloe, Damon Pfaff, Nathan Seibel, Dan Olson, Jay Burkard, Caleb Backholm, Nathan Greenwalt, Brent Stenzel, Jason Pucker, Scott Alexander. Back row: Nathaniel Riley, Jon Caldwell, Tom Dafoe, Eric Skillestad, Ethan Johnson, Jesse Selness, Taylor Quinn, Richard Redding, John Brandenburg, Nathan Morris, Brent Johnson, Phil Ogden, Jason Erickson.



"OHHHH...." Robyn Rossetti, Janay Oakland, Bethany Johnson, Michelle Ackeret, MiSun Lee and Andrea Porter diligently practice their song "Make a Joyful Noise" for Christmas at Northwestern. Their hard work attracted almost 4000 people to the concerts on campus. (Photo by Dale Lewis)



MALE CHORUS FRONT ROW: Nathan Richer, Sze Yim, Doug Mangum, Joe Levander, Dana Crowell, Thom Fox, Brian Goodwin. ROW TWO: Larry Unger, Dan Aleckson, Ben Hopper, Bryan Nydegger, Lee Vanaalsburg, Trevor Rasmussen, Carlos Gutierrez, Tim Kerr. Row three: Chad Wahlberg, Justin Van Ningen, Andrew Shold, Wylder Klein, Dayton Dodge, Kris Hoover, Bud Stuempert. BACK ROW: Sean Larson, Andy Selness, Joe Laven, Jon Visser, Zach Johnson, Justin Vegge.



OH REALLY? Joe Levander and Thom Fox stand at the ready for their director, Mr. Fenton as they practiced their non-traditional song "When I Fall in Love." (Photo by Dale Lewis)

WOMEN'S CHORALE FRONT ROW: Crystal Walker, Elisa Cellan, Joy Israelson, Jenevieve Aune, Tonya Grabau, Michelle Shiner, Lisa Kropf, Anna Klotz, Deborah Turner, Carlene Oppold, Jen Strand, Jessica Walker. ROW TWO: Sarah Flint, Tristan Fischer, Christina Hartley, Cerah Tymoshuk, Gosia Tomczyk, Shannon Lapp, Rebecca Silrum, Lisa Pomeroy, Jenna Fair, Heather Beeson, Kristi Welch, Ericka Heglund, Heidi Nies. ROW THREE: Jennifer Wiese, Kera Latterell, Rebecca Angell, Molly Willette, Camille Oppold, Emily Shaver, Sarah Joy Borkert, Rachel Dagget, Michelle Ackeret, MiSun Lee, Andrea Porter, Jaimie Olsen, Katie Howard. ROW FOUR: Debra Moe, Merindy Christiansen, Britany Fisher, Colleen Fish, Megan Hjermstad, Sara Gardner, Janay Oakland, Melissa Tovar, Bethany Johnson, Jennifer Thompson, Ericka Schmiess, Joelle Blomberg, Angela Medd, Sara Brandenburg. BACK ROW: Erin Riley, Sally Meikle, Krista Alberg, Robyn Rossetti, Angela Koons, Kelly Jo Peterson, Angel Palmer, Angie Rietema, Heather Hermunsie, Kari Duncan, Kelley Fike, Anne Thompson, Karita Klein, Natalie Westendorf, Sara Galligan.

AN ADDED BONUS The string quartet Sterling Strings provides a variety of music during a church service in Pequot Lakes. Strong friendships formed with so much time spent together. This made performances even more enjoyable. (photo by Tonya VanCamp)



VOICEMALE Left to right: Matt Wilson, Taylor Quinn, Trevor Rasmussen, Jason Folkmann, Andy Selness, Mike Novak.



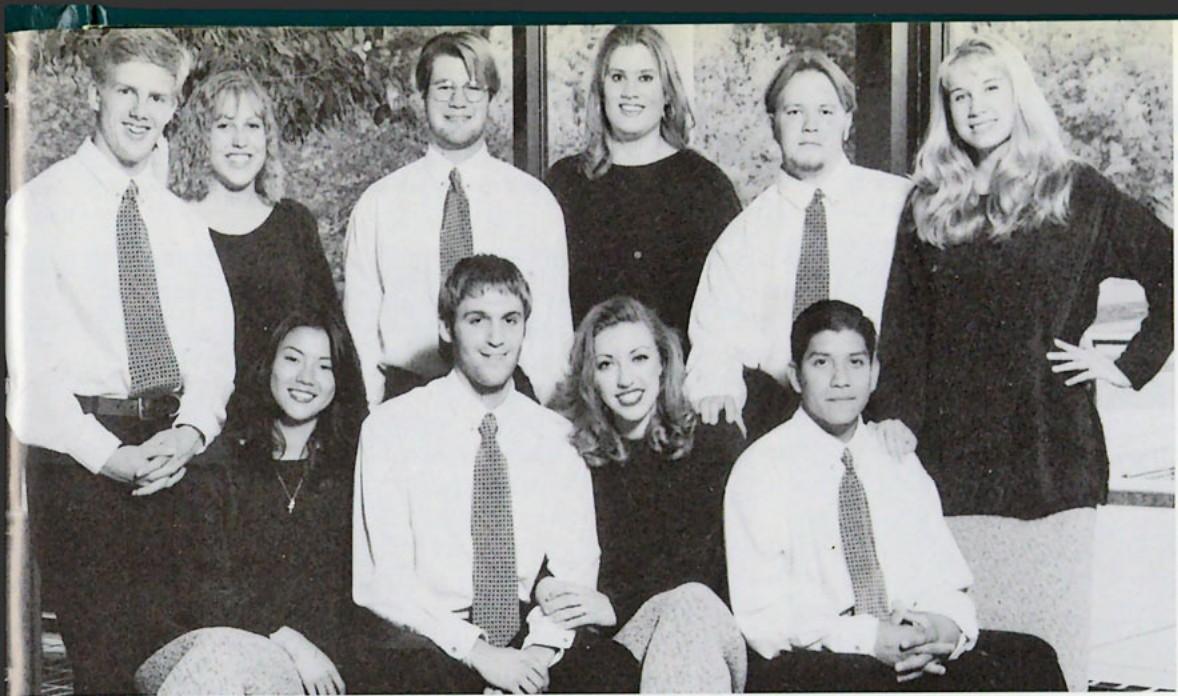
LEAVE A MESSAGE VoiceMale's Trevor Rasmussen and Mike Novak perform "Prayer of the Children" in Chapel. The male sextet provided smooth harmonies in their songs as they toured various areas in the Midwest and the Twin Cities. (photo by Jason Stoll)



STERLING STRINGS Left to right: Deborah Turner, Tonya VanCamp, Andrea Schmidt, Erik Peterson.

MIRROR, MIRROR These six women reflect on the meaning of their message as the group performs at a local church. Extremely receptive audiences encouraged members of Reflections as they put their whole hearts into their performances. (photo submitted by Camille Oppold)





INNER MISSION Front row: Abigail Engbrecht, Jason Pucker, Carlene Oppold, Jose Camacho. Back row: Caleb Backholm, Katherine Deming, Jay Burkard, Naomi Damschen, Carl Constable II, Sara Brandenburg.



REFLECTIONS Left to right: Camille Oppold, Lucita LaBelle, Nathaniel Riley, Karita Klein, Tanya Beckard, Melissa Tovar, Marli Dowden.



PURELY PASSIONATE Carlene Oppold sings with Inner Mission of her passion and joy in the Lord. The setting was in the Blue Room mini-concert for President Erickson and guests. The group had several different performances, including churches and a home for the elderly. (photo by Rachael Nelli)

SPREADING THE MESSAGE

Extension Ministries sought to serve and give

"Can you feel the hearts of the children aching for home, for something of their very own. Reaching hands with nothing to hold on to, but hope for a better day." These words perfectly summarized the feelings of those that Northwestern's Extension Ministries hoped to reach this year.

Inner Mission, our male/female double quartet, had the opportunity to travel throughout the Midwest and successfully took advantage of each chance they had to minister. Freshman tenor Jason Pucker mentioned that a woman sought him out and said "she could see each of us had the joy of Christ in our hearts."

Reflections, the sister group to VoiceMale, was a group of women who ministered through music. They also traveled to some of the same destinations as that of the Inner Mission. Karita Klein, freshman alto, summed it up best by saying "Reflections is fun because I like to sing and I get to minister to people. Plus, we all get along!"

Sterling Strings consisted of four talented freshman string players. This group was a new edition this year. It is unusual, in that only freshman were in this group. Sterling Strings have performed at various churches, MADD, a candlelight vigil, and in Pequot Lakes. Tonya VanCamp, violin, said that the group's "personalities fit together very well."

VoiceMale, the brother group to Reflections, included all men. This sextet also toured in the Midwest regional area. Trevor Rasmussen stated that their group had been asked many times if they were coming out with a CD. He found it encouraging that their message was getting across to others. These Extension Ministries groups were quite talented, but the message which they gave, was the greatest gift of all.

A UNIQUE MIX: A blend of talent and closeness

TRUMPET TIME! Chris Blount, a brass instructor in the Academy of Music, concentrates on his articulation during "One for Woody." Brass Choir has performed many different pieces throughout the year. (photo by Dale Lewis)



The Chamber Orchestra consisted of many talented and dedicated musicians. According to Eboni Johnson, sophomore violin, this orchestra was unique because they were not a large group which allowed them to maintain tighter friendships. Similarly, Jenny Keyes, senior piccolo/flute, mentioned that Chamber Orchestra was unique because they played strictly chamber music, and its quality was so advanced. The Chamber Orchestra was given the opportunity to play beautiful classical pieces. In addition, both students labeled their instructor, Mary Sorlie, as an "inspiring" person and "good spirit" for the orchestra. They both shared the deep respect they have for Mary Sorlie, and all that she has done for the group. Indeed, the Chamber Orchestra combined to create a wonderful sound--a sound which rejoices in the name of the Lord.



CHAMBER ORCHESTRA Front row: Debbie Turner, Anita Holbrook, Mary Sorlie, Allison Cooper, Tonya VanCamp. Second row: Jon Hansel, Erik Peterson, Allison Zeigeweid, Gretchen Carlson, Bethany Castleman, Matt Wilson, Kevin Martin. Back row: Carly Anderson, Laurel Barger, Allison Tofel, Heidi Nies, Andrea Schmidt, Beth Johnson, Sara Gullifer, Marla Quam, Elizabeth Campton, Eboni Johnson, Rachel Griffith, Jenny Keyes.

GOOD OL' JAZZ Jazz Band members concentrate intensely on their music during a practice session. These rehearsals readied the Jazz Band fully prepared for their performances. (photo by Jason Stoll)



THREE OF A KIND Brass Choir's Aimee Klein, Bryan Johnson and Darla Enns match their tonality with the mood of the music. Brass Choir made the effort to play music to its potential while reflecting the composer's original goal. (photo by Dale Lewis)



PERFECTION IN PROGRESS Tonya VanCamp and Erik Peterson warm up with the Chamber Orchestra prior to a chapel. Hours were spent rehearsing in order to polish and perfect various pieces used for their tour throughout Boston and the surrounding area. (photo by Dale Lewis)



Smooth & Solid

The resonating, punctuated sounds of the Brass Choir were a welcomed contribution to the college's musical smorgasbord. The ten members faithfully met every Wednesday afternoon, under the baton of Scott Ivester, to work on playing in unison while holding to their instrument's distinctive quality. There were several concerts during the year for them to showcase their giftedness and excellent quality.

On the other end of the spectrum was the smooth melodic riffs of freedom coming from the Northwestern Jazz Band. Even with a solid musical structure underneath, the members are allowed a certain amount of learned freedom in expressing what's on the inside. Each year the group brings in an off-campus guest musician to join forces with them and be featured in their "Big Band" concert. Gerald Bouma directed the twenty-two piece Jazz Band for the second consecutive year.



BRASS CHOIR Front row: Cassandra Isbell, Aimee Klein. Middle row: Melissa Moe, Jennifer Luebeck, Adam Springer, Darla Enns. Back row: Bryan Johnson, Ben Gundale, Mick Reynolds, Peter Miles, Scott Ivester (director).

SMOOTH AND SILKY Josh Aberle smoothly plays his saxophone with the Jazz Band's accompaniment. This band played a wide variety of jazz with the message of Christ's never ending love and grace. (photo by Jason Stoll)



JAZZ BAND Front row: Jon Visser, Josh Aberle, Carmen Kock, Heidi Helstad, Justin Vanningen, Nikki Safar. Middle row: Jenny Anderson, Carlos Gutierrez, Jill Evans, Bryan Johnson, Darla Enns, Melissa Moe, Julie Lafollette. Back row: Ben Hopper, Isaac Harms, Jose Camacho, Peter Miles, Scott Schendel, John Vaughn.

WHEN YOU POP, YOU CAN'T STOP
While on tour, Tim Kerr, Darla Enns, Anna Klotz, Aimee Klein, Jill Evans and Rebekah Williams all have fun showing off their Pringles duck bills. Creative activities such as this made time in the bus pass much more quickly. (Photo by Katherine Johnson)



SYMPHONIC BAND Front row: Jennifer Anderson, Melissa Moe, Gretchen Carlson, Elizabeth Frazier, Jennifer Keyes, Carmen Kock, Anna Koltz, Aimee Klein, Joy Santee, Jill Evans, Dana Mathews, Karmen Olson, Heather Davie, Beth Tangeman, Nathan Oyloe, Cassandra Isbell, Rebekah Williams. Middle row: Benjamin Hopper, Carey Eppright, Sara Gullifer, Kari Sigl, Stephanie Gullifer, Jay Burkard, Lee Van Aalsburg, Bonnie Peterson, Jennifer Luebeck, Tim Kerr, Erika Heggglund, Rebecca Mercier, Sarah Pederson. Back row: Jon Hansel, Scott Schendel, Matt Wilson, John Vaughn, Heather Hermunsie, Nicole Safar, Susan Yetman, Peter Miles, Katherine Johnson, Adam Springer, Edward DaPra, Jason Folkmann, Becky Peterson, Susanne Kinzenbaw, Nathaniel Levisay, Darla Enns, Christine Wysocki, Nathan Truman, Matthew Nelson, Sze Wang Yim, Jacob Sertich, Larry Unger, Justin Van Ningen, Bryan Johnson, Josh Aberle.



JIVIN' Carmen Kock, Edward DaPra, Jason Folkmann and Darla Enns all perform a lively rendition of "Mosici Bizanti" for their pre-tour concert earlier this year. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)

SUCH A SWEET SOUND

Musicians have a richness all their own

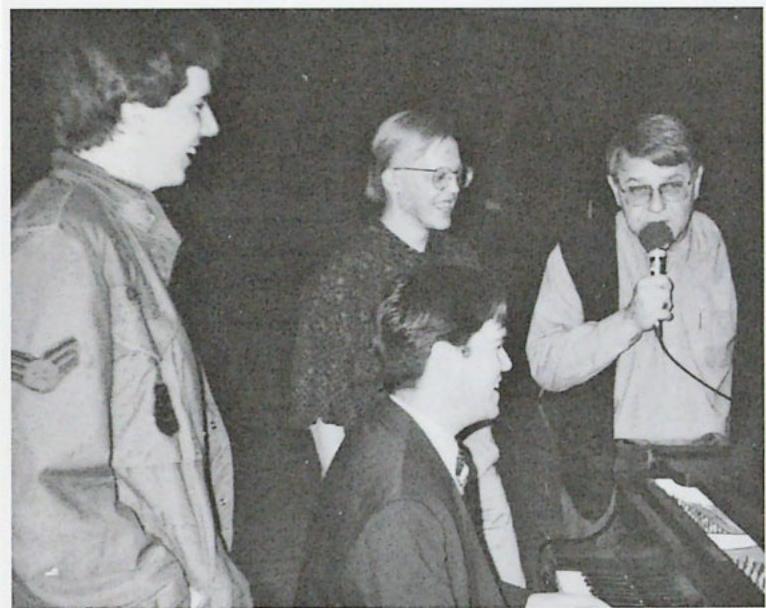
Symphonic Band went on tour earlier than usual this year. They went on their band tour at the beginning of the year instead of their usual trip at the end. Katherine Johnson (freshman trumpet) said that the trip consisted mostly of unloading and loading their equipment and performing. Jenny Keyes (senior piccolo/flute) stated that some of the fun activities they experienced were sleeping, bowling in Rock Valley, watching movies and playing games.

Over all, the Symphonic Band had an enjoyable time on their tour. Band members commented that they felt they did well for practicing together only about two months before they departed on their adventure. Indeed, the band is large, but the sound that resonates from the heart of the union between the instruments is truly captivating.



TUNE UP TIME! Sara Gullifer aptly tunes the rest of the Symphonic Wind ensemble before their performance. This process ensured that the band would be perfectly in tune and provide the best sound possible. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)

O, MY ONLY LOVE Dr. Bouma serenades his group with Nate Levisay's accompaniment while Benjamin Hopper and Bryan Johnson look on. Impromptu opportunities to have fun like this were plentiful during the tour. (Photo by Katherine Johnson)



TEAMWORK AND QUALITY

Chamber Winds combines unity with personality

Chamber Winds was a rare mix of individuality and teamwork. Every instrument had to be heard, yet they all had to work together to achieve the overall effect. With Chamber Winds being the smallest musical group, all ten participants had to be able to carry their part with confidence, for their performances would suffer if one could not maintain one's part.

Jenny Steele (freshman flute) remarked that she felt that it was an honor to play in Chamber Winds since there were only two flute positions. She also shared that the music that they play is "challenging, yet fun and cute."

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Gretchen Carlson (freshman bassoon) also had great accolades to give her group. She said that this ensemble is the closest she has ever been in. On tour, she enjoyed "sitting around the piano singing and socializing."

Overall, the Chamber Winds group was a very talented group of people. Both women interviewed expressed that their group is an exceptional and talented set of people to play with.



SAY CHEESE! Stephanie Gullifer, Edward DaPra, Katherine Johnson, Jason Folkmann and Sara Gullifer patiently await their turn to perform while on their tour of the Midwest. Much time was spent waiting due to expected delays that come naturally during events such as these. (Photo by Tim Kerr)



FLUTES IN FOCUS Karmen Olson, Heather Hermunslie, Elizabeth Frazier, and Heather Davie keep their focus on their music while playing for a Symphonic Band concert. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)

CHAMBER WINDS Front row: Matt Wilson, Jon Hansel. Middle row: Gretchen Carlson, Cheryl Kelley (conductor), Allison Ziegeweid. Back row: Jennifer Steele, Jennifer Keyes, Carey Eppright, Jay Burkard, Sara Gullifer, Kari Sigl.

Unity... Diversity...



ENJOYING THE BEAUTIFUL FALL WEATHER Being outside while doing homework can be a refreshing change from the scenery of the dorms. Sophomore Suzanne McInnes worked on her art project outside one sunny fall day.
(Photo by Tricia Gibson)

Academics

*With diversity of talents at NWC,
students come together and just clique.*

On a normal day at Northwestern College, small groups of students could be found exhaustively studying for tests, taking catnaps between reading chapters for theology, scribbling out a rough draft for composition, finding the solution of an equation by interpolation for Numerical Analysis and doing other various academic tasks.

With almost 1,500 students attending NWC, there were close to 41 different options for majors that the school provided so everyone had a chance to be involved in what they do best.

With the diversity of talents, some may have thought that students would have a hard time appreciating one another, but that wasn't true. Northwestern was one big family. When the Physical Fitness Department got a new building, the History Department celebrated, and when the Music Department had a successful concert, the Psychology Department congratulated them. When the Math Department... well you get the picture.

Although there were a lot of diverse people with a variety of different strengths at NWC, everyone seemed to get along and care about one another. Sometimes, even though people have different goals, they can come together and, in a word or two, they just clique.

Maria Miller, Academics Editor

Changes

After 11 years as President, Dr. Erickson makes a transition

When Dr. Donald and Bonita Erickson first became a part of the Northwestern family in 1977, they had no idea what they were getting themselves into. Dr. Erickson was hired originally to be the Dean of Students, but in 1980, he took on the newly enacted position of the Executive Vice President.

"I would have been happy with my status as the Executive Vice President forever," said Erickson. "I was working under Dr. Berntsen. We were close friends, and I always looked up to him as a son would to his father."

In 1983, Dr. Erickson was hit with another transition. Dr. Bernsten was given a sabbatical, and Dr. Erickson was asked to fill in as the acting President.

Erickson said, "I always assumed that he [Dr. Bernsten] was coming back but, in September of 1984, the Board of Trustees had a special meeting in which they called and asked me if I would be the President of Northwestern College. I told them that I would have to pray, think and talk to President Bernsten before I could answer."

After spending time pondering and praying about taking on this new challenge, Dr. Erickson made the decision to accept. Dr. Erickson became President on January 1, 1985 and was inaugurated as President of Northwestern College on April 14, 1985. He said that the whole event was a very humbling experience. "I felt unworthy," said Erickson. "I was following in some very big footsteps."

President Erickson soon put most of his anxieties aside and began to feel comfortable with his position even though he had no idea just how much work he was in for. "My position is one of great responsibility. You cannot do this job alone. You need to keep your knees on the floor and your eyes looking up. With God's help we press on. Without him we could do nothing. The job is never done."

As President Erickson's years passed, some major accomplishments were achieved. The SkyLight Radio Network was opened, the Bernsten Resource and Erickson Centers were constructed and some other major renovations were made on the College campus along with

the development of Eagle Crest, a motel and senior citizen residence on South Campus.

"I think that above all of the new buildings and other various changes that have been made over the years, the most exciting time of my Presidency was the revival the College went through in April of 1995," said Erickson. "The majority of students on the campus were spiritually renewed. Something very special happened in their lives and ours as well."

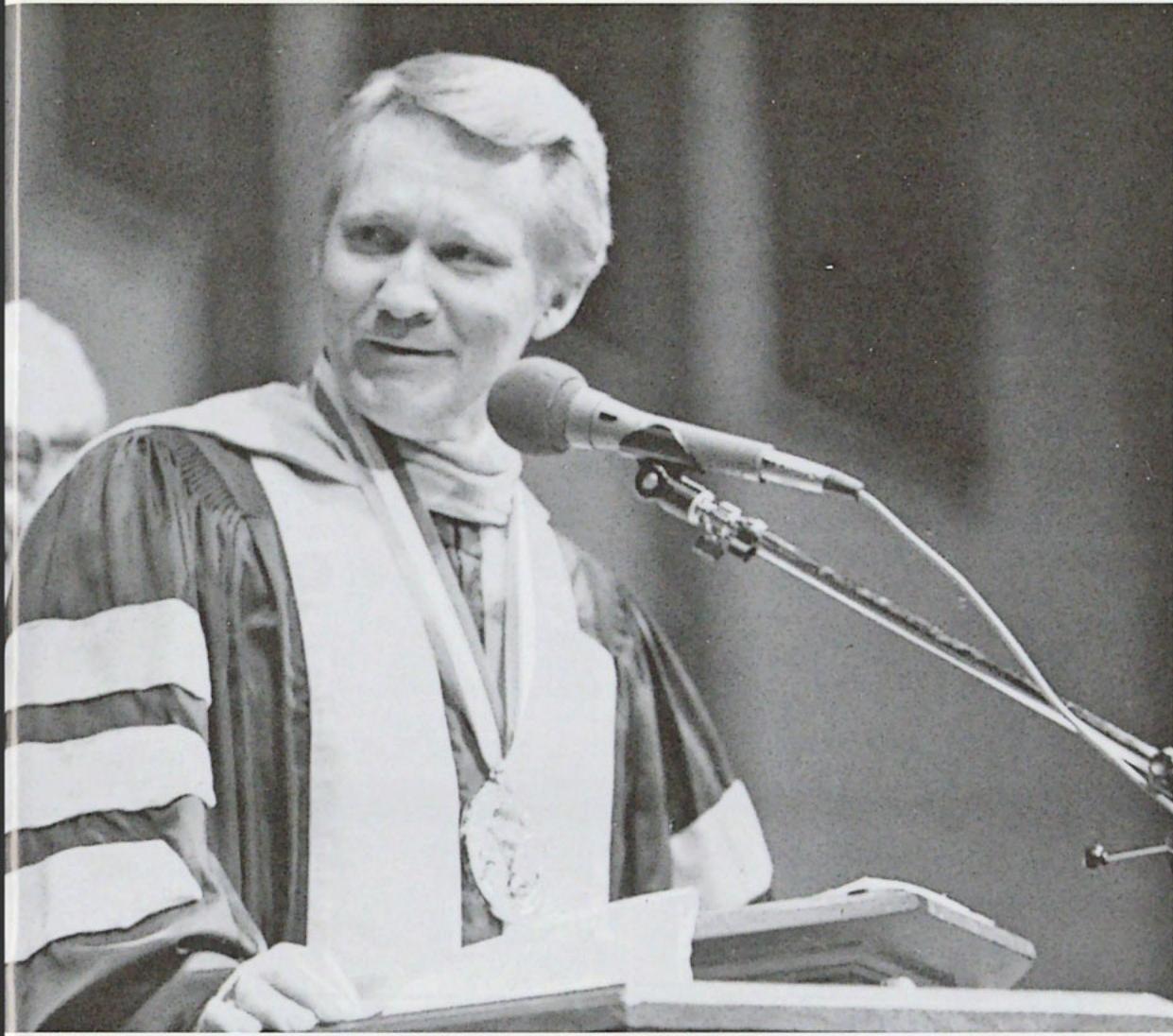
As President Erickson makes the transition from President to Chancellor of Northwestern College and Radio, he said that he will miss the proximity with the students most because he will be distanced from the daily activities of the college. His task of Chancellor will include representing Northwestern College and Radio and emulating its mission and its purpose.

"The years have been exciting, humbling, challenging and exhilarating," said Erickson. "The tasks and responsibility are awesome."

BY MARIA MILLER

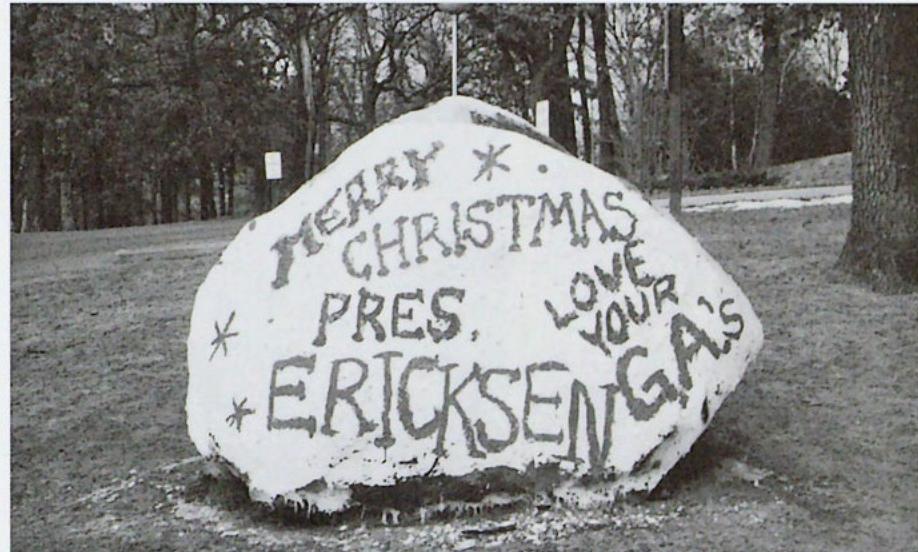


STARTING The Bernsten Resource Center was dedicated at Homecoming 1992. President Erickson, Beryl Berntsen (widow of former president William Bernsten) and Bonita Erickson were involved in the ground breaking ceremony.



BEING A LEADER One of his highlights of each year, President Ericksen leads a graduation ceremony. Here President Ericksen addressed a graduating class of the late eighties.

TAKING IT EASY President Ericksen rarely gets time to relax. He says that when he becomes chancellor he will only have to work forty hours a week instead of eighty.



THE FIRST COUPLE President Don and Bonita Ericksen have been married for forty years. They are the parents of three sons and five grandchildren. Bonita lends support by volunteering in the alumni office as well as several other Northwestern departments.

TOUCHED BY AN ANGEL A few years ago, President Ericksen's guardian angels continued a Northwestern Tradition. They painted the rock and used it as their Christmas card.

Serving with Excellence

The faculty and staff at Northwestern College remain dedicated to excellence. With each passing year, the college has become bigger and better, thanks to the dedication and prayers of the employees. Many Christian colleges across the nation have experienced financial difficulties as the years have gone by but NWC has been one exception. During the past year, NWC has hired a lot of new employees to make the school an even better place to obtain an education and the enrollment of students has grown in leaps and bounds.

Northwestern College has given its success over to God. Whether students were sitting in their classes or paying their bills, they experienced Christ like service.

By MARIA MILLER



TIME TOGETHER Many professors have very tight schedules. Kenneth Fenton and Gerald Bouma spent a free moment eating lunch together and discussed what was going on in each of their days. (Photo by Dale Lewis)

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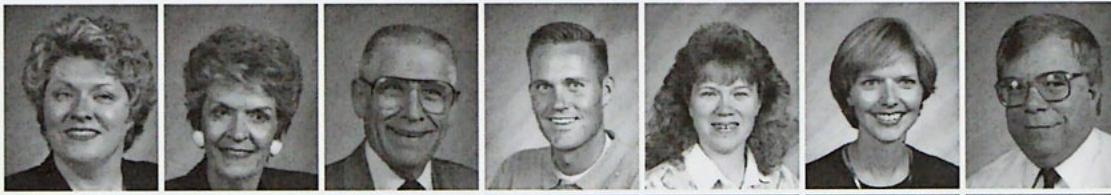
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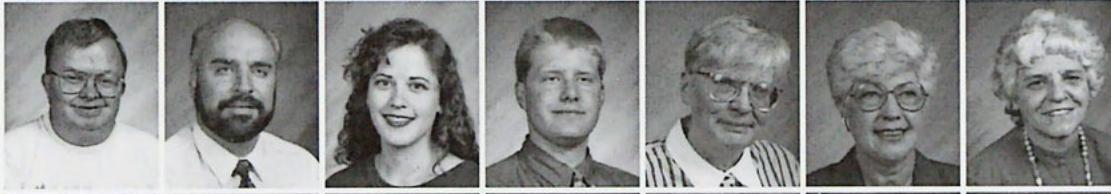
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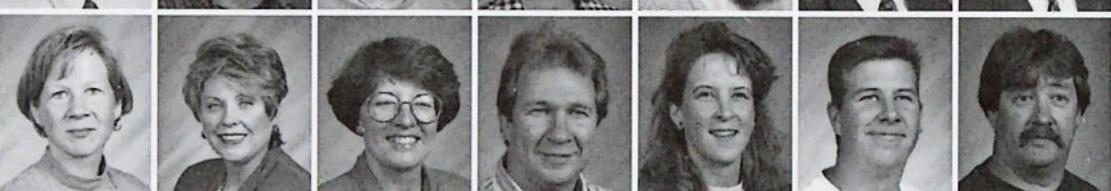
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Bible

Did you ever have problems understanding the Bible? Starting this year, Northwestern College offered two new courses that could help students with their problems: New Christian Theology and Biblical Theology. Round table discussions would also be starting primarily for Biblical majors but anyone could take it. Current issues on

theological and biblical thinking would be discussed during these meetings. When asked what his favorite Bible class was to teach, Dr. Ardel Caneday replied, "The Exposition of Romans because I get to help students grasp the challenge of Paul's argument and thoughts in terms of thinking them through." Another

exciting development in the Bible department was a new spring break study tour, which would hopefully be available by the year 1998. Dr. David Erickson planned to take 80 students each spring to Israel. "It is potentially life changing simply because most people learn more about themselves and where the Lord is leading them,"

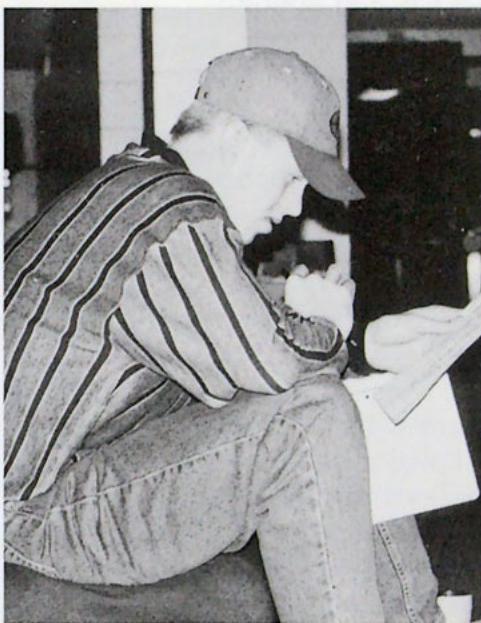
said Dr. Doug Huffman. This year there were between forty and fifty Bible majors which included a combination of Biblical Studies, Ministries, and Pastoral Studies majors.

BY ANNE WAGGONER

*"I get to help
students grasp
the challenge."*

Dr. Ardel Caneday

WORKING HARD Homework can become overwhelming by the end of a quarter. Caleb Backholm spent his study time going over a few papers. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



BIBLE Front row: John Sailhammer, David Johnson, William Bendict and Lawrence Lucas. Back Row: Ardel Caneday, Douglas Huffman, Ron Johnson, Philip Lueck, Mark Muska, and Russell Lunak.



CHECKING THE GRADE Students can often be found checking their test scores outside of different professors offices. Emily Dahl just wanted to make sure that she was doing okay in one of her classes. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)

— Business and English/Literature —

At first glance the English and Business departments may not seem to have anything in common but both had foreign ties to them. English has ESL and Business had International Business. Northwestern hired a new teacher for ESL majors, Dr. Feng-Ling Johnson. Sophomore Michelle Shiner said. "Dr. Feng-Ling Johnson has been a wonderful addition to the department."

Some students decided to become an ESL major because of a missions trip they went on, as senior Cheryl Pilkington did. "In the winter of 1996, I went on an India missions trip and went around the

world. I saw the desperate need for English, and I saw that ESL opens the door to any country for me."

"I saw the desperate need for English, and I saw that ESL opens the door to any country for anyone."

Cheryl Pilkington

A missions trip also gave senior Melissa Kuklok the desire to major in International Business "Having the multi-cultural experience in Poland enabled me to understand all the aspects of economy that a multinational corporation needs to consider before going global."

International Business and ESL opens the door to many countries and gives us à connection with them.

BY RACHEL GRIFFITH

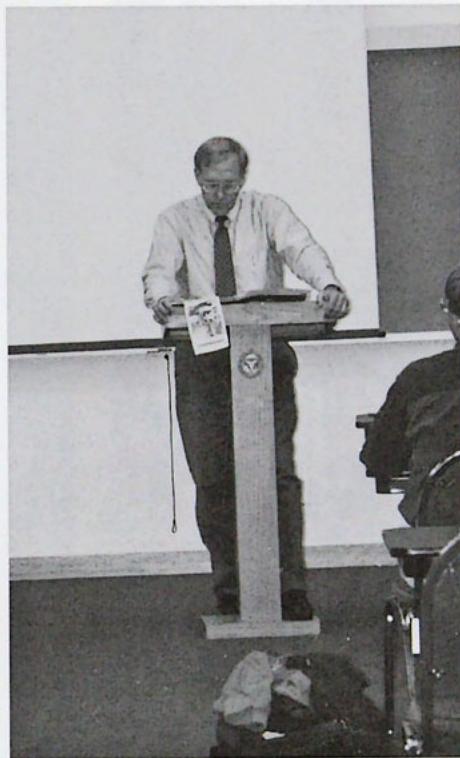


BUSINESS Darin Glanzer, Robert Davis, Robert Jerus, Linda Johnston, Robert Elfstrom, Stephen Simpson and Charles Kuivinen.





CLASS TIME Lectures are a daily part of college life. Professor Steven Simpson talked with his business class about the importance Christian business people can have in the world today. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



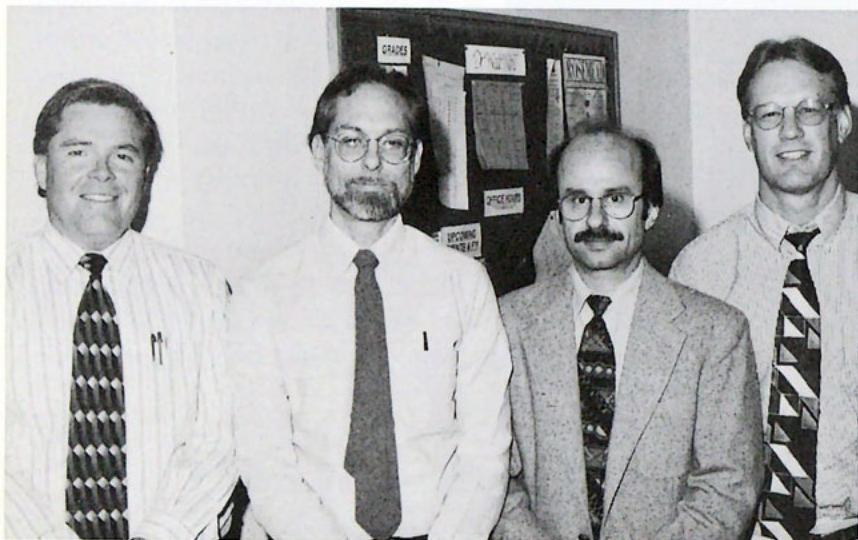
ENGLISH/LITERATURE Front row: Kim Marino, Janet Sommers, Judith Landrum, Margaret Feng-Ling Johnson, Margaret Hanratty. Back Row: Bruce Boeckel, Kathleen Black, Helen Aling, Linda Wendler, David Johnson.

MAKING TIME Freshman Duston Defoe gets off to a good start in his college career by taking time to study alone and very focused. Sometimes it was hard to find personal study time with all the daily activities. (Photo by Amy Dunton)

CATCHING RAYS During the fall and spring when it's warm, many teachers hold classes outside. Dr. Don Johnson let his psychology class enjoy the beautiful weather for a class period. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



SOCIAL SCIENCES David Kirby, Eric Johnson, Don Johnson and Wade Wahl. Not pictured- Lyle Larson



TWO OF A KIND Charles Aling and Clyde Billington are unique because they are the only History professors at Northwestern.

—History, Natural & Social Sciences—



Science and Math Science and math are influential in many careers including law, engineering, medical, insurance and even food service. First-year student Alyssa Jacobson is using science in her career. "I want to be a pediatric nurse because I love to work with kids," she said.

The Department of Natural Sciences was very different for a couple of reasons. Students could not earn a major in science (they can earn a minor), but students could get a major in math. Each department gets involved in a different way. Math went out into the community and looked at a business that was math related. Science classes had labs in Nazareth Hall to help them understand concepts and have fun while learning. Sophomore Rhet Fiskness' favorite part of labs was

"the fun we had joking around in physics labs and there was a bigger lab called 'senior project.'"

Rebecca Galioto was doing a senior project. "My main theme is cryptography. I was focusing on World War II codes and comparing them with the codes used now," she explained.

Science and math were general education requirements because of their usefulness in many careers and areas of life.

History The history department was one of the fastest growing departments at Northwestern

College.

An abundance of different history classes were offered including the popular "Nazi Germany" and "Western Civilization" sections.

According to Dr. Clyde Billington, a history major is great because it can be used in lots of different areas of life.

BY RACHEL GRIFFITH & MARIA MILLER



NATURAL SCIENCES Vance Revennaugh, Daniel Crane, William Kinney, William Eppright, Steven Ratliff, Andrew Mugglin, Jerry Beilby, Noel Aldrich, Brucew Simat and Delroy Johnson.

ENJOYING A BEAUTIFUL AFTERNOON Students often take advantage of the weather when it gets nice. Jill Bollig and Krista Godt took some time away from homework to enjoy looking at the newspaper. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)

—Art, Christian Education & Music—

ART Within the Art Department at Northwestern College, there are a wide array of different majors. Many students chose Art as their major because they hope to continue producing their own projects professionally while others major in Art to teach. Art Education students learn to transfer their knowledge of art to the classroom where they help children produce proper art techniques and properties. The Art Department added Barbara Claussen and Martha Johnson to its staff. Claussen has taught art at the elementary level for

years. She has been teaching Painting, Watercolor and Art Methods at Northwestern. Johnson is a local artist who works with print making.

Students learn how to how to transfer their art skills into the classroom.

Art Education Department

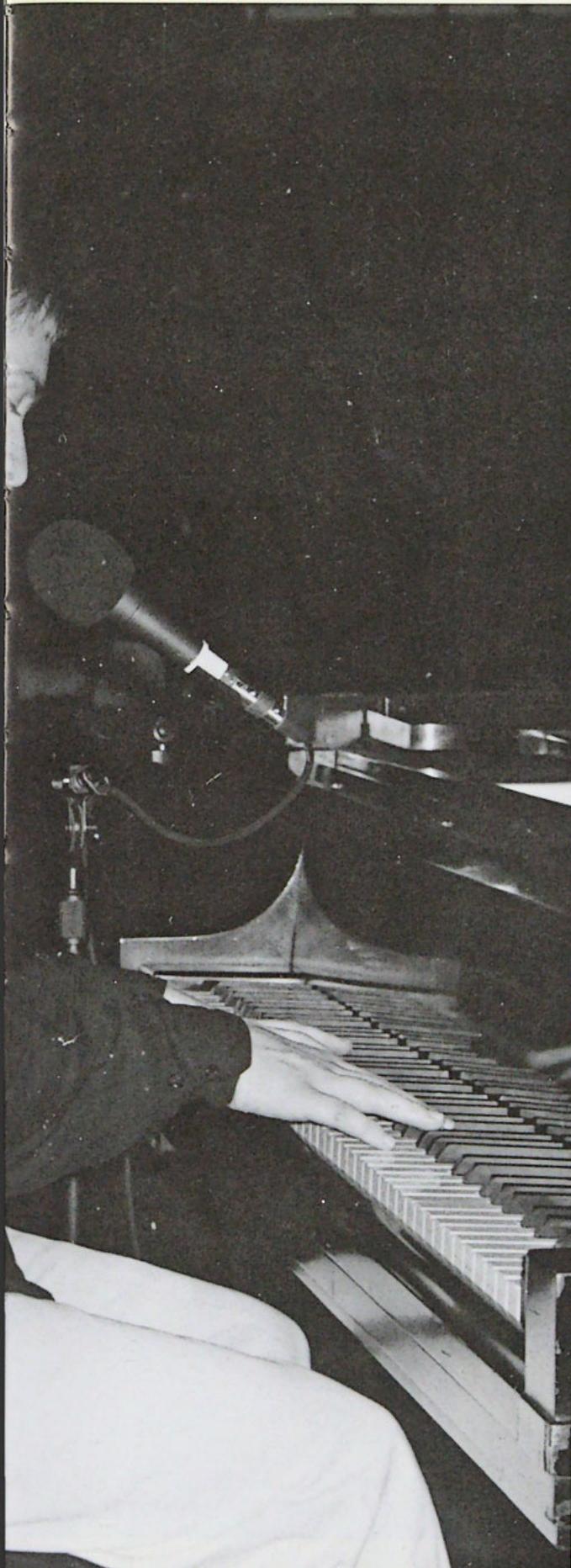
MUSIC The Music Department has a history of striving for excellence. This year, students have been able to engage in a new style of music. This has been the first year that the Gospel Choir had a faculty director. The Gospel Choir directed by Tamera Haskins performs in chapel as well as in various concerts around the Twin Cities.

BY SUSIE WALTERS



MUSIC Front Row: Philip Norris, Leonard Danek, Cheryl Kelly, Sharon Johnson and Mary Sorlie. Middle Row: Charles Kemper, Gerie Corliss, Kenneth Fenton, Scott Ivester and Robin Heggen. Back row: Gerald Bouma, Karen Wilkerson, Richard Lange and Carol Eikum.





PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT

Whether students are practicing for a class or just spending time relaxing and messing around on their instruments, music is usually heard continually. Freshmen Laurie Walkey and Mailee Lee spend time sharing lyrics and advice. (Photo by Amy Dunton)



CHRISTIAN EDUCATION One of the ministry-oriented departments on this campus is Christian Education. Professors J.E. Harvey Martin, Sam Pittman, Stewart Snook, John Easterling and David Clatterbuck taught students in the proper methods of Christ-centered education and its practical applications.



ART AND GRAPHIC DESIGN Brian Tanning, Mark Baden, Norman Kaupang, and Kenneth Steinbach.

SHARING FROM THE HEART Performing in front of peers can be frightening to say the least. Junior Tony Ressie performed one of his compositions in chapel where students, faculty and guests can share their musical talents with the student body. (Photo by Michelle Backstrom)

MODERN LANGUAGES

The department of Modern Languages and Cultures has greatly expanded. With only one Spanish professor in 1995-1996, the new year brought two more Spanish professors. In addition to Spanish, Greek and French were offered.

Gaylen Mathiesen, Linda Gianoulis, David Harthan, Joy Flemming and Sydney Giovenco.



Quiz me

1. How many student teaching hours did a senior have in a quarter?
2. How many education major students were there?
3. How many second languages were offered?
4. What was the job placement percentage for education majors?
5. Were the jobs that NWC helped students find located in Minnesota?
6. Did NWC refer education majors to take positions in different countries?
7. How many communication majors were there?
8. What was the job placement percentage for communication majors?
9. Was there a certain area of the US where a large number of NWC communication majors are placed?
10. What were the typical jobs for a communication major to go into?

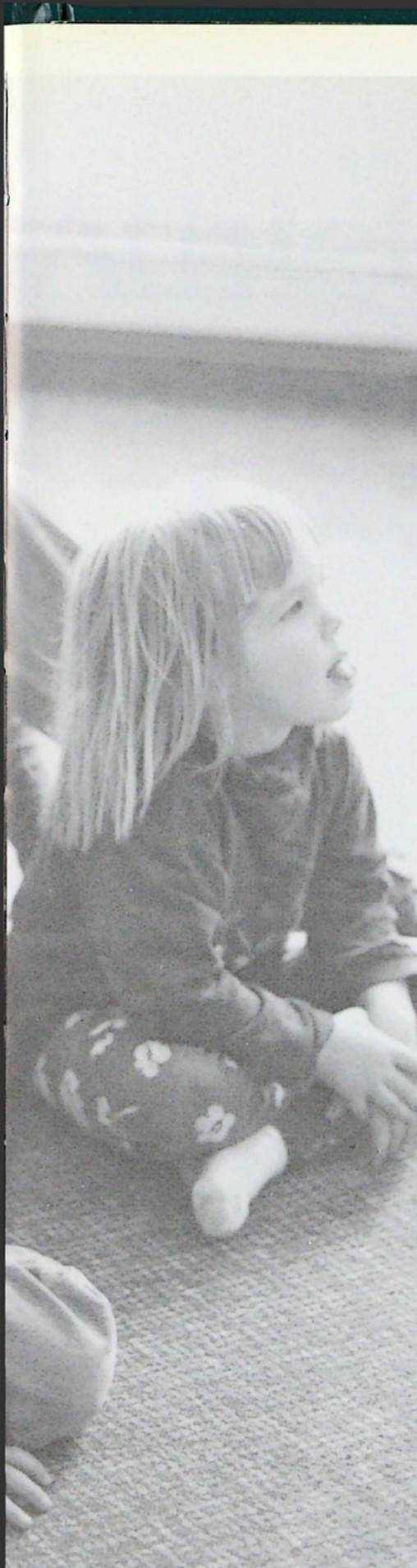
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| 1. At least 400 hours. | 6. Yes! |
| 2. 366. | 7. 348. |
| 3. Three. | 8. About 85% of the students found jobs in their major. |
| 4. About 90% of NWC students found jobs in what they majored. | 9. Large Cities. |
| 5. The majority were placed in Minnesota. | 10. Public relations, reporters, television newscasters. |



EDUCATION FRONT ROW: Judi Landrum, Feng-Ling Margaret Johnson, Kathy Lystig, Cheryl Kelley, Jackie Pickar, Linda Wendler, Barbara LeClaire and Kathy Quinley. Middle Row: Leone Snyder, Joelle Raney, Maryann Lau, Mary Rising, Kathleen Black, Susan Johnson, Mark Baden, Jeanne Erickson and Priscilla Lueck. BACK ROW: Vance Revennaugh, Robert Ash, David Abrahamson, Kristine Smith, Robert Benson and William Eppright.

= Education, Communication, and Modern Languages =



Aside from music and business, Northwestern College was known for its education program. Approximately one-fourth of the student population majored in the education. A majority of the education majors were drawn to Northwestern because of the reputation it had of producing quality teachers. Many students viewed teaching as a very rewarding career opportunity. A teacher invests time and effort into the development of the future leaders and workers of our society. There are also other reasons people choose to teach. Jennifer Lee, a junior elementary education major said, "I have always wanted to be a teacher because I enjoy working with children."

Certain qualities are important for a teacher to possess. According to Jennifer Emery, a junior elementary education major, "I think it takes a real desire to go the extra mile to help kids succeed, and not just academically."

Teaching should involve more than just receiving hugs and apples. According to Ben Lau, a first year art education major, handling sudden situations that arise is the greatest challenge that he has with teaching.

Northwestern continues to meet the expectations of education students. By placing students in classroom situations as a part of the student training, education majors were able to get a balanced sense of what their duties would be in the real world.

BY SUSIE WALTERS



COMMUNICATION FRONT ROW: Ripley Smith, Daniel Pawley, Jacqueline Glenny and Timothy Kowalik. BACK ROW: Timothy Tomlinson, Richard Tremaine and Charles Pollak. Not Pictured: Richard Long and Patsy Miller.

CAPTIVATED WITH THE KIDS When Taryn Alfredson isn't in classes, she spends some of her time working at the Northwestern Day Care Center in The EagleCrest complex. Alfredson, a junior elementary education major got plenty of quality hands-on experience with the kids. The Day Care Center was a place for students as well as faculty members to leave their children in a Christian environment while they worked. (Photo by Dale Lewis)

Revelry... Pledge...



GOT IT! Diving for the ball, sophomore Dara Olson, shows her dedication to volleyball. Whether diving or setting, her hard work showed through in her game-time performance.
(Photo by Brian Tanning.)

Athletics

Dedication In Every Aspect....

Every athlete, coach and spectator needs to exhibit an extreme amount of dedication to his or her sport. Balancing homework with hours of practice takes dedication. Players could be seen giving of themselves with their sweat, grass stains and, in extreme cases, injuries in an attempt to lead their team to victory. Even in the off-season, athletes committed themselves to practice time in order to sharpen their skills.

Coaches strove for the dedication that could be seen in their athlete's eyes, in the precision of their movements and in their teamwork. From past experience, coaches knew the devotion required for a successful team and aimed to cultivate this in their players.

One could even hear dedication in the cheering of the crowd. Many spectators came to sporting events to show their support for Northwestern athletics. Whether bundled up in winter clothes, huddled under an umbrella or seated in a spacious gymnasium, fans cheered for their team.

The Erickson Center, the new health and physical education center which opened, was an example of where dedication to a goal took our college. To the benefit of athletes, coaches and spectators alike, athletics at Northwestern have developed their program each year and, with continued dedication, will keep growing far into the future.

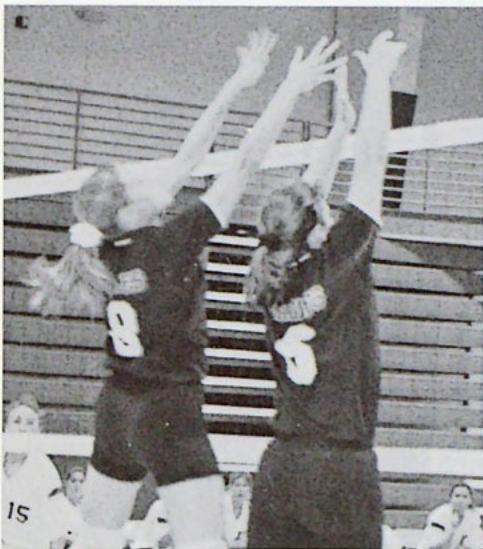
Amanda Paulson, Athletics Editor

Did You Know?

The ABC's of Volleyball



VOLLEYBALL FRONT ROW: Dara Olson, Tammi Groeneweg, Rebecca Angell. MIDDLE ROW: Ericka Arndt, Nicolle Hebert, Erin Habstritt, Stephanie Knott, Katie Becker. BACK ROW: Asst. Coach Kristin Salvevold, Sally Meikle, Erin Riley, Katie Kettenacker, Rebecca Gotteberg, Head Coach Jill Peterson.



EAGLE BLOCKADE

The opponents aim to get the ball past this blockade of Katie Kettenacker and Dara Olson. Blocks like this helped the Eagles gain their most successful winning record in the last five years. (Photo by Jason Stoll)

SCOREBOARD

NWC	Opponent	Them
3	Northland	0
0	St. Olaf	2
2	St. Scholastica	1
0	Hamline University	2
1	St. Catherine's	2
1	Macalester	2
3	Northland	0
3	Augsburg	2
1	Loras	3
0	Concordia-Moorhead	3
3	St. Catherine's	0
3	Concordia-St.Paul	0
0	Northland	3
3	Viterbo	0
0	Valley City State	3
3	St. Scholastica	0
2	Mayville	3
3	Crown	0
3	Concordia-St.Paul	1

occurs when a front row player hits the ball over the net, and the opposing team is unable to touch the ball as it slams to the court floor.

Communication, the "C," is the final aspect of the ABC's of volleyball. Jill Peterson said, "Due to the fact that there are so many different positions and skills involved in volleyball, the players have to talk to each other in order to know whose responsibility it is to make the play." The NWC volleyball team learned their ABC's and scored with a 22-18 record.

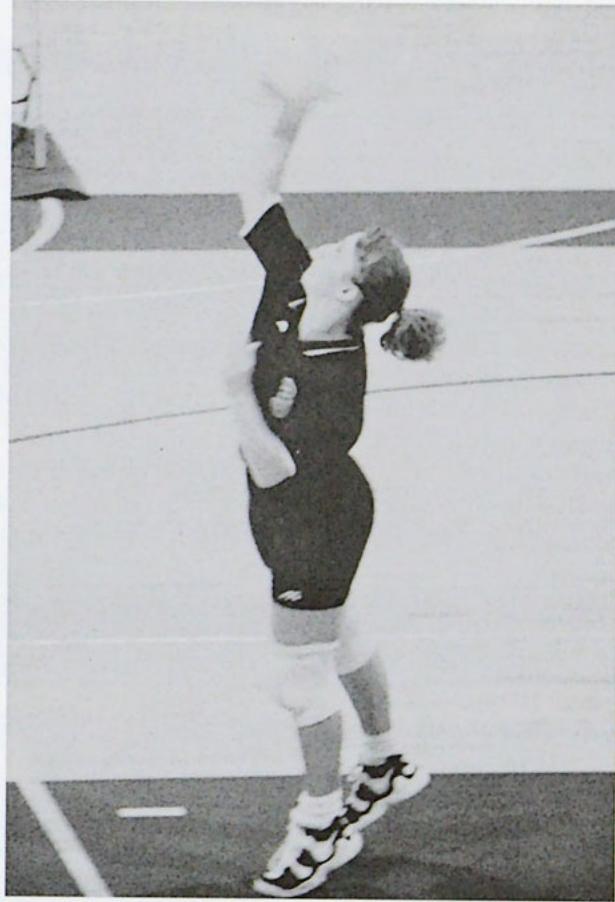
-Amanda Paulson

NWC	Opponent	Them
2	Upper Iowa	3
3	Bethel	1
1	Luther	3
3	Macalester	1
3	St. Scholastica	0
3	Crown	0
3	Anoka-Ramsey	0
3	Martin Luther	2
3	St. Scholastica	2
3	Viterbo (Forfeit)	0
0	Briar Cliff	3
0	Peru State	3
3	Huron State	1
3	Concordia-St.Paul	0
0	Bethel	2
0	Olivet	2
2	Judson	0
0	Olivet	2
3	Mt. Senario	0
3	Martin Luther	1
2	St. Scholastica	3



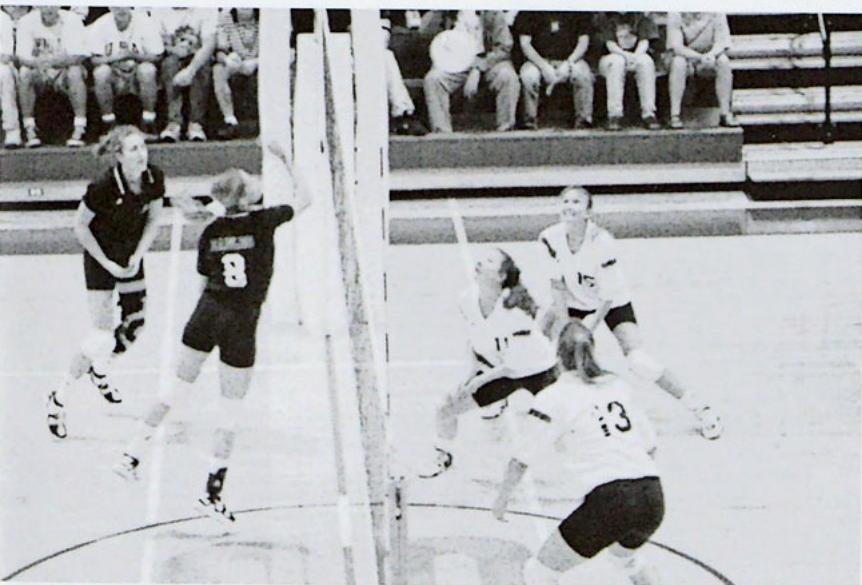
ONCE MORE

Lifting her pointer finger, senior Becky Gotteberg indicates that she will once again tip the ball. Gotteberg was selected to the all-conference volleyball team. (Photo by Jason Stoll)



ACE

Power and strength go into Becky Angell's serve. It was this kind of power and strength that led the Eagles to a 22-18 record. (Photo by Jason Stoll)



LOOK OUT!

The opponents anticipated Katie Kettneracker's tip over the net while Stephanie Knott stands ready to back her up. Support was essential for the team's good defense. (Photo by Jason Stoll)

HA HA!

A little humor is used by the Eagles on the bench to lighten up the mood at this home game. This humor also helped relieve stress during game-time tension. (Photo by Jason Stoll)

All I Want To Do...

Lady Eagles Won't Trade Soccer For Anything

"If I wasn't a soccer player, there's nothing I'd rather be, but if I weren't a soccer player, I think I'd be..." That was the award winning chant of the team heard at the annual fall variety show. As a second year intercollegiate team, they exemplified determination and teamwork. The team improved on last year's record of zero wins for the season by claiming two wins and one tie this year.

The team members took time during the busy season to hold a soccer clinic for inner city girls. As a team, the Lady Eagles also traveled to Duluth for a

regional post season playoff game against St. Scholastica.

This was a hard year for the girls despite all the fun that was had. There were injuries, and at least eight starters missed out on one game or more. Sophomore and second year player Katie Murphy stated that despite the injuries, they did what they had to do; they were determined. Head Coach Meloch agreed, "They never quit. With increased skill level and changed attitudes, they rose above adversity and learned what it means to compete."

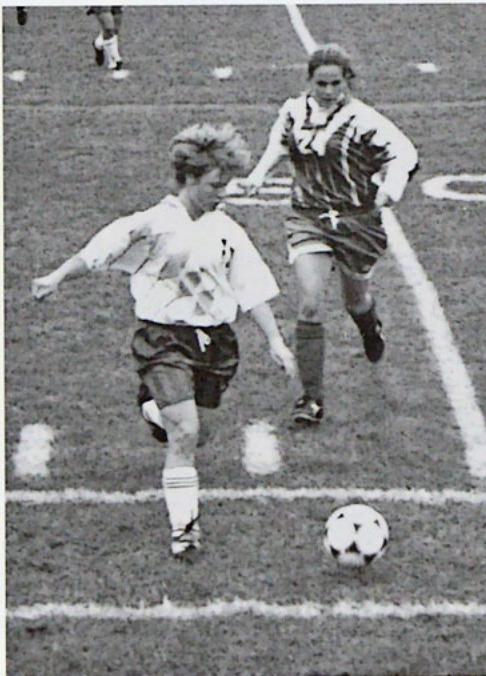
-Mary Sailors



IT'S MINE

Battling her opponent for the ball, Trina Kramer displays fancy footwork. Keeping control of the ball was an important offensive skill necessary in soccer.

(Photo by Jason Stoll)



SPEED

Rushing to keep the ball in bounds, Katie Murphy extends herself. Getting to the ball was important in maintaining control and going on the offensive. (Photo by Jason Stoll)



WOMEN'S SOCCER Front Row: Beth McVey, Andrea Bucek, Trina Kramer, Katie Murphy, Sonja Theobald, Becky Livingston, Andrea Olson Row 2: Katie Strom, Jennifer Sauls, Brittney Dahmes, Molly Steiner, Charity Aien, Heidi Feder Back Row: Coach Karen Meloch, Natalie Sautner, Betsy Reese, Shannon Rising, Renae Klopp, Liz Richardson, Coach Kris Olson. Not pictured: Aimmie Ek, Rachel Klopp.

SCOREBOARD

NWC	Opponent	Them
0	Dordt College	1
0	Mankato State	10
1	Hamline University	1
0	Hamline University	1
0	University of Mary	3
1	UW-Superior	2
0	St. Scholastica	5
0	Martin Luther	2
2	Concordia	0
0	UW-Superior	3
0	St. Scholastica	1
0	Martin Luther	3
1	Concordia	0
0	NWC of Iowa	2
	Midwest Region Play-off vs. St. Scholastica	
0		2



IMPACT

Colliding with an opponent, Rachel Klopp fights for the ball. In more ways than often seen, dedication had an impact on the Lady Eagles. (Photo by Jason Stoll)



SAVE

Putting forth all her effort, goalie Shannon Rising keeps the opposing team from scoring. This was Shannon's third year as goalie. (Photo by Dale Lewis)



READY, SET, KICK

Junior Katie Strom prepares to kick the ball to a teammate. She was a co-captain for the Lady Eagles this year. (Photo by Jason Stoll)

TEAMWORK

To keep the ball in their possession, Renae Klopp and Molly Steiner work together. Fans said team unity was evident in every game. (Photo by Jason Stoll)

SCOREBOARD

Meet	(Women's)	Placing
UW River Falls		11 of 14
U of M		31 of 34
Valley City State		5 of 7
Martin Luther		3 of 3
Wartburg		8 of 10
UMAC Conference		1 of 4
NAIA Regions		3 of 6
NCCAA		10 of 19

LOOKIN' GOOD

Setting her pace, Laurie Peterson looks comfortable running. "Cross Country was a challenging and bonding experience." (Photo by Jenni Sandmeyer)



SCOREBOARD

Meet	(Men's)	Placing
UW River Falls		9 of 10
U of M		26 of 28
Valley City State		7 of 9
Martin Luther		3 of 3
Wartburg		8 of 9
UMAC Conference		3 of 4
NAIA Regions		6 of 7

NOW REMEMBER...

Getting last minute information, the men's team gathers at the starting line. Encouragement and prayer was valued at the beginning of every race. (Photo by Jenni Sandmeyer)



Ready, Set . . .

Go the distance

UP FRONT

Leading the pack, Tiffany Stutzman leads a group of runners to the finish. This was her first year. (Photo by Jenni Sandmeyer)

PERSISTENCE

Running against the wind, Jared Wilson puts forth the extra effort required to compete. His first year on the team involved much commitment. (Photo by Jenni Sandmeyer)



MEN'S CROSS-COUNTRY: Front Row: Ryan Menning, Christian Zimmerman, Jared Wilson, Steve Dykstra Back Row: Assistant Coach Betsy Riess, John Daily, Bryan Plucar, Coach Steve Thiessen.

Determination: a fixed purpose or intention. Every runner needs to know the definition of determination and not just from out of

the dictionary. They could feel determination in their legs as they pushed up a mammoth hill. It pulsed through their veins on the last leg of their race. It had the force that drove them to the finish when every other ounce of sanity screamed at them to stop.

The cross country team, led by captains Christian Zimmerman and Molly Sunde, started their season with a trip to Covenant

Pines Camp where they spent two days learning to work together as a team. They also went through individual challenge courses and trained for the upcoming meets of the season. As

a team, the women won the conference title and

advanced to nationals in Cedorville, Ohio. There they placed tenth out of nineteen teams, a record team finish. Two individual men also qualified for

Nationals to end the year.

Runner Ryan Menning said that one of the greatest parts being part of such a team is the sense of togetherness that they gained from the first week to nationals; throughout everything that they did together, they had a common goal, a fixed purpose.

A goal was achieved when the team dropped nearly 27 minutes from its total score. Determination is a word frequently referred to every runner and athlete. As Ryan Menning said, "It's something you have to have ... otherwise you're just not going to make it."

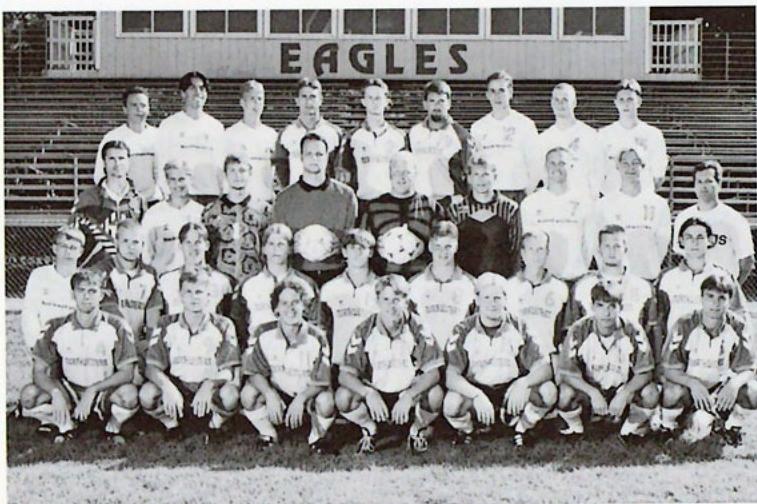
-Mary Sailors



WOMEN'S CROSS-COUNTRY: Front row: Jeni Sandmeyer, Julia Nordvold, Kirsten J. Anderson, Erin Van Roekel, Tiffany Stutzman, Alicia Thurber, Amy Forsen Back Row: Assistant Coach Betsy Riess, Molly Sunde, Amy Usiak, Laurie Peterson, Sheila Hafemann, Becca Dodds, Tessa Weber, Coach Steve Thiessen.

Stepping Up...

Despite Losses, the Eagles Pulled Together



MEN'S SOCCER Front Row: Josh Pettit, Rick Weldt, Brad Aust, Rhet Fiskness, Jason Sasse, Jeremy Eby, Nate Holdeman Row 2: Mark Aten, Drew Cox, Jeremy Rupp, Chris Grams, Casey Kellems, Nate Severson, Loren Groeneweg, Dave Ray, Jeff Beale Row 3: Coach Ripley Smith, Andy Olson, Dave Darling, Lee Waltner, Kirk Lee, Jonathan Koski, Kelly Capps, Josh Read, Asst. Coach Bob Rathburn Back Row: Jori Ernst, David Ramirez, Jeremy Madison, Dan Allen, Jeremy Tindall, Ezra Mehlhoff, James Dietz, Chris Kordotzky, Mark Amon

The soccer season was an unforgettable one for the Northwestern men's team. The Eagles started their season coming back from an 8-8-2 record during their 95-96 season. The loss of players because of graduation, transferring and injuries, contributed to the team's 8-12-1 record for the 96-97 season.

Early in the season sophomore Rhet Fiskness was sidelined with a torn LCL/ACL knee injury. The following surgery forced Rhet to stay sidelined for the duration of the season. With the major loss of Rhet, the Eagles knew they

had to step up their duties as soccer players and teammates to make things happen. Junior midfielder Loren Groeneweg did exactly that; he made things happen. Loren scored a team high of fifteen points.

Sophomore Rick Weldt said, "As a team we had some ups and downs, but toward the end we pulled together. We are a young team; we are expected to do better next year." With that, the men's team left behind the 1996 season and focused on next year's season.

-Amy Dunto



HERE IT COMES!

Demonstrating his skill and ability, Rhet Fiskness passes the ball. A knee injury, however, sidelined him for the majority of the season.
(Photo by Jason Stoll)



MAKE WAY!

Racing for the ball, Josh Pettit out-runs his opponents. Speed and agility defined the line between winners and losers.
(Photo by Jason Stoll)

SCOREBOARD

NWC	Opponent	Them
1	Viterbo	6
1	Maycrest	4
1	Bethel	0
0	Dordt College	1
0	Taylor	6
3	Indiana Wesleyan	3
3	Pillsbury College	1
0	Augsburg	1
1	University of Mary	3
3	North Central	2
2	St. Scholastica	3
3	North Central	2
2	Martin Luther	5
3	Concordia-St.Paul	4
3	St. Scholastica	2
2	Martin Luther	1
2	Concordia-St.Paul	2
3	Hamline University	2
0	Northwestern-Iowa	3
2	Concordia	1
0	Briar Cliff	8



UGH!

With all his might, goalie Kirk Lee throws the ball to his teammates. Kirk said, "Our team was a cohesive unit on and off the field." (Photo by Jason Stoll)



SOLE-MAN

Taking the ball up on his own, Nathan Severson leads his teammates towards the opposing goal. Nate was a starting left-half back for the Eagles. (Photo by Jason Stoll)



INCONCIEVABLE!

A look of dismay crosses Coach Smith's face as a tough call is made against his team. Perseverence and adversity, however, played a part in every game. (Photo by Jason Stoll)

LEADERS OF THE PACK

The team comes onto the field led by Loren Groeneweg and Jeremy Eby. Jeremy said, "What I'm going to remember most is not the wins or losses, but the fun, especially on road trips." (Photo by Jason Stoll)

On Our Turf...

Team Carries Commitment onto the Field

"Let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles."
Hebrews 12:1 (NIV).

This verse was chosen to exemplify the dedication and commitment that should be shown by each player and coach. Head coach Jimmy Miller and assistant head coach Bryan Johnson introduced this verse at a pre-season camp called "Breakaway." Coach Johnson memorized chapter eleven of Hebrews and Coach Miller memorized chapter twelve for their presentation to the players.

There were many things that made the season special. One such event was a come-from-behind victory over Dakota State. Trailing 14-0 after the first quarter, the Eagles scored 21 points, securing the victory. Senior quarterback

Dennis Anderson set a new passing yardage record, completing 16 of 29 passes for 391 yards.

This year's uniqueness was also shown in the feeling of friendship between players and coaches. Zac Grell said, "Even though we had a hard season, we stuck together well as a team." Senior cornerback Alan Dunham expressed, "The season record was 3-6. Even though we weren't a great success on the scoreboard, our teamwork and positive attitude made this year [a great success]."

- Jason Stoll

SCOREBOARD

NWC	Opponent	Them
13	Huron University	41
46	Trinity Bible College	22
21	Dakota State	14
6	Mount Senario College	34

NWC	Opponent	Them
32	Martin Luther College	45
17	Crown College	20
35	Maranatha Bible College	14
3	Concordia College	12
9	Mayville State	23

RUN, BRIAN, RUN

With opponents lurking near by, Bryan Sawyer dashes to avoid their grasp. Sawyer rushed for 406 yards this season. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)

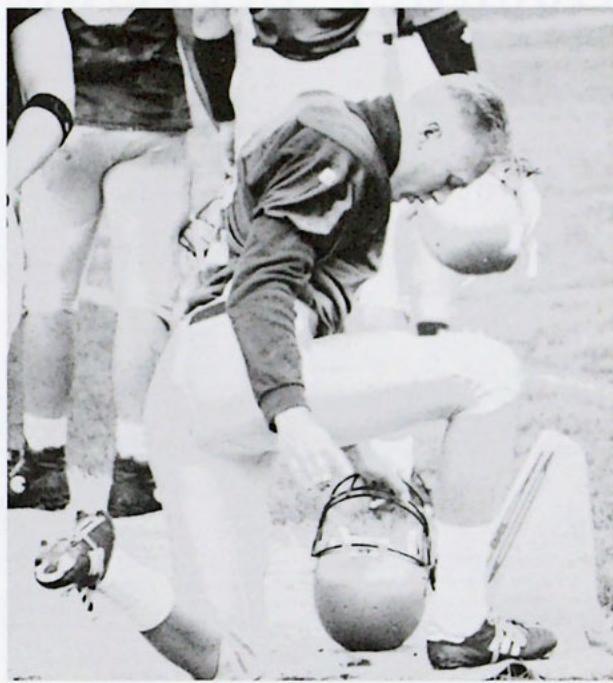
FOOTBALL: Front Row: Chris Brunds, Alan Dunham, Ryan Blaszczyk, Carter Romo, Jim Franklin, Aaron Harrier, Tom Ogston, John Peterson, Doug Deprez, Jason Evens, Jonathon Klipenes, Erik Lorentzen. Row 2: Chad Miller, Jeff Thune, Brent Torrenga, Jason Best, Andy Grose, Andy Britz, Eric Rasmussen, David Stanke, Jeremy Brandt, Jonathan Butler, Philip Welch. Row 3: Rob Kobler, Asst. Coach John Cass, Coach Steve Sheedlo, Asst. Coach Rob McCarthy, Head Coach Jimmy Miller, Asst. Head Coach Bryan Johnson, Asst. Coach Pete Sola, Jacob Dodge, Bryan Sawyer. Row 4: Todd Soxman, Chris Morris, Jacob Patten, Tim Nathan, Alan Johnson, Todd Miltenberger, Kevin Isenberger, Kevin Kloss, Josh Teichroew, Doug Domokos, Lon Bjornrud. Row 5: Robert Kroontje, Tim Tacheny, Rob Tollefson, Jason Roelofs, Mark Macuey, Mark Ecker, Andy McCall, Kim Kringen, Matt Jones, Tim Dalbey. Row 6: Josh Daniels, Adam Koehn, Trey Coleman, Cade Lambert, Mark Amon, Sam Cruver, Matt Nelson, Jonathan Williams, Josh Mabe, Ron Swope, Matt Ewert. Row 7: Sean Williamson, Jason Schmidt, Dennis Anderson, Mike Ek, John Gallagher, Ryan Severson, Nate Maser, Dustin Ledo, Mark Grossinger, Ryan Simat, Aaron Riess. Row 8: Nathan Lee, Reagen Grell, Zachary Grell, Philip Derksen, Jay Forsman, Marshall Goodenow, Paul Brandenburg, Andy Vrieze, Matt Moore, Joe Perron, Aaron Kern





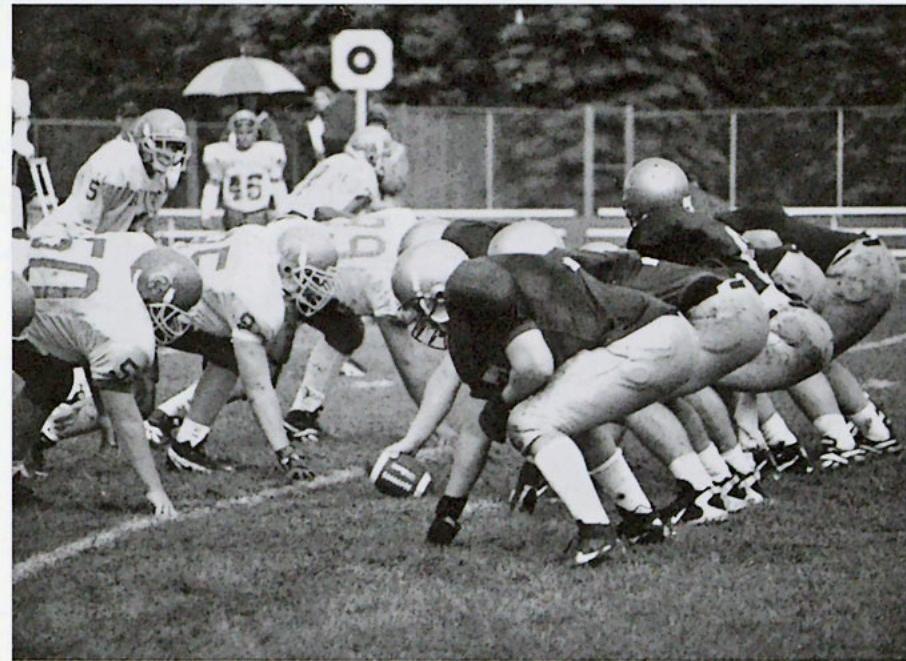
QUICK!

Running with perseverance, Dennis Anderson breaks past the line of scrimmage for a short gain in yardage. (Photo by Jason Stoll)



FOCUS

Centering his thoughts on the Lord, placekicker Mike Ek takes time to sharpen his focus. Ek led the team with 36 points this season. (Photo by Jason Stoll)



JUST ONE MINUTE

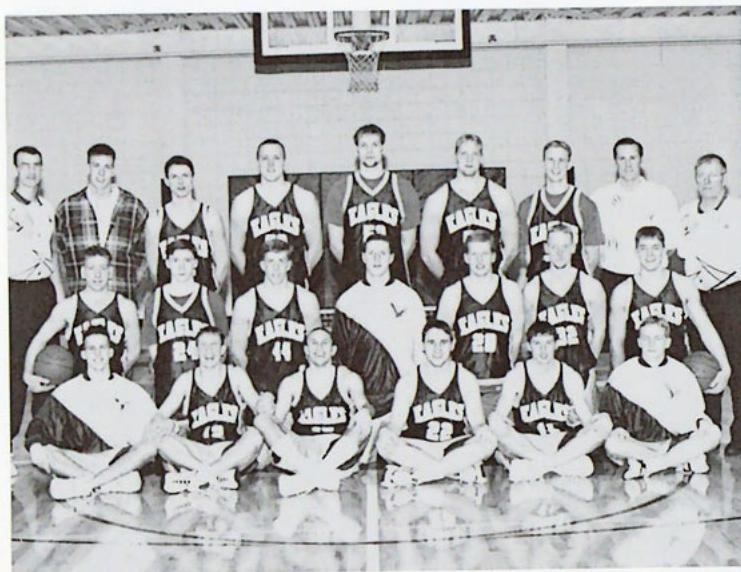
With all his might, Chris Bounds holds off his opponent. "The friends I've made and lessons learned have been more valuable than anything learned in the classroom." (Photo by Jason Stoll)

HIKE!

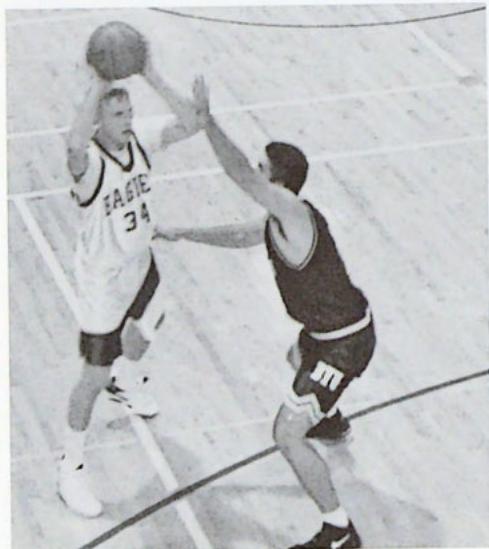
All lined up and ready to go, the offense takes their positions. This year's offense passed for 1795 yards. (Photo by Jason Stoll)

T - E - A - M

Together Everyone Achieves More



Front Row: Jeff Thune, Brent Torrenza, Cory Nuest, Tim Young, Bill Plastow, Shawn Palmer **Row 2:** Monte Bocken, Aaron Willford, Jon Malvig, Kevin Plack, Andy Henderson, Jeff Owata, John Gallagher **Back Row:** Head Coach Joe Smith, Jack Fielder, Mike Senner, Todd Henderson, Jack McBain, Paul Brandenburg, Tim Aalsma, Coach Billy Aune, Coach Dennis Schroeder



IS IT CLEAR?

Questioning if he should shoot or pass, Tim Aalsma weighs his options. Tim led the team in scoring in many of their games. (Photo by Michelle Backstrom)

The 1996-97 men's basketball team came onto the basketball court as a unit. With several returning players, the Eagles were able to achieve team goals by playing hard, smart and together.

The team's chemistry helped the Eagles get through the challenging season. Several new opponents such as NCAA Division II teams, Bemidji State and UM-Morris, were added to the team schedule. The difficult games only pushed them to improve the team unity.

Each team member brought a tremendous amount of talent and experience to the team. Several players found themselves competing for playing time. This increased the competitive level of the team.

The friendships that were built amongst the players were reflected in their team unity. Paul Brandenburg, a junior post player, said that the Eagles played together as a "team, not as individuals."

-Michelle Backstrom

SCOREBOARD

NWC	Opponent	Them
98	North Central	64
88	Trinity Int'l University	101
76	Bethel	71
60	UW-River Falls	65
45	St. Thomas	69
65	Trinity Christian	72
85	Mount St. Clare	74
90	St. Olaf	88
66	Buena Vista University	69
79	Luther	61
80	Crown	65
77	UW-Superior	66
88	UW-Stout	78
83	Bemidji State	68
92	Northwestern, IA	106

NWC	Opponent	Them
81	Luther	72
84	Concordia-St. Paul	59
73	Martin Luther	68
73	St. Scholastica	69
68	Macalester	59
89	North Central	69
88	Hamline	73
75	Northland	86
91	Concordia-St. Paul	92
98	Pillsbury	68
78	Martin Luther	67
88	St. Scholastica	82
90	UM-Morris	98
89	St. Louis College of Pharmacy	64
74	St. Scholastica	69
84	Peru State	91

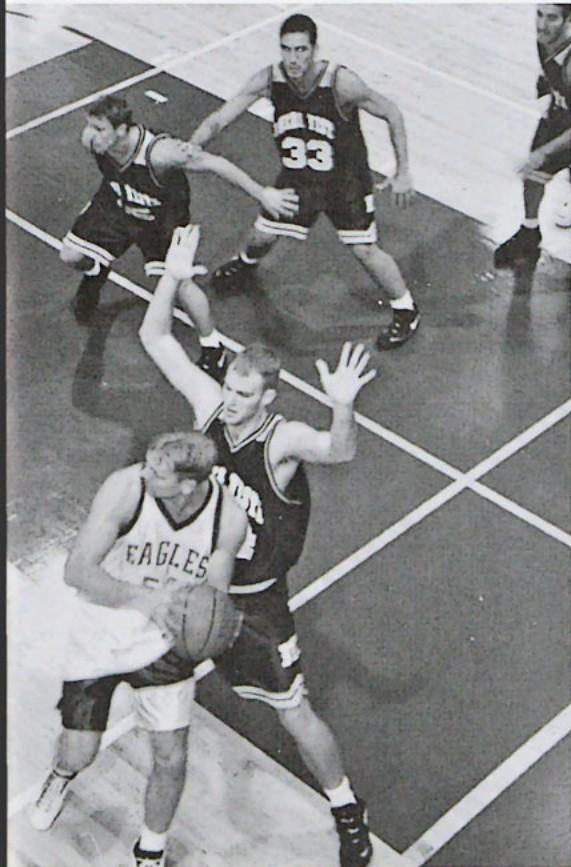
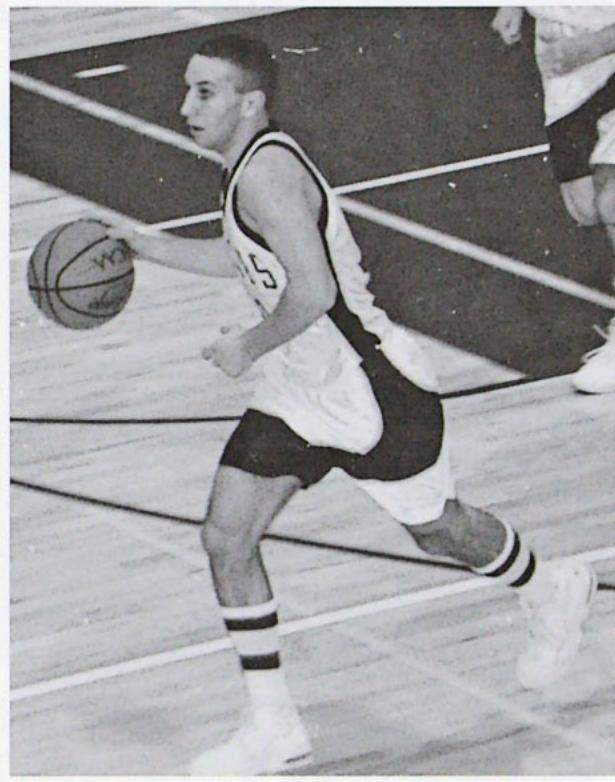


AIR JEFF

Above and beyond the opponents block, sophomore Jeff Owata is able to shoot. The Eagles flew past Luther with a final score of 81-72. (Photo by Jason Stoll)

ON THE LOOKOUT

Searching for an open teammate, Cory Nuest brings the ball across the line. Cory had four assists in this game against Luther. (Photo by Jason Stoll)



WHERE IS EVERYBODY?

Looking for an open teammate, Paul Brandenburg waits to pass the ball. "We played as a team, not as individuals," he later said. (Photo by Michelle Backstrom)

READY, AIM, FIRE

Focusing on the rim, Jack McBain prepares to shoot another free-throw. McBain, a transfer student, was the team philosopher, according to his teammates. (Photo by Jason Stoll)

Character...

All Important To This Team



*Women's Basketball Front Row: Laurie Toews, Jessie Engen, Joleen Carstens, Amber Munger, Jennifer Kaupang, Emily Crabtree, Tabitha Boltjes, Heidi Black
Back Row: Head Coach Sherri Holm, Coach Jennifer Dobson, Beth Dollerschell, Suzanne McInnes, JoAnn Venhuizen, Shreen Kramer, Juli Stone, Trainer Tricia Kooiman, Coach Linda Schuck*

Although a new crop of girls made up the 96-97 basketball team, one thing was to remain the same: the character of the team. A hard work ethic, determination, unselfishness and a focus on Jesus Christ were priorities the girls were to take with them into their games.

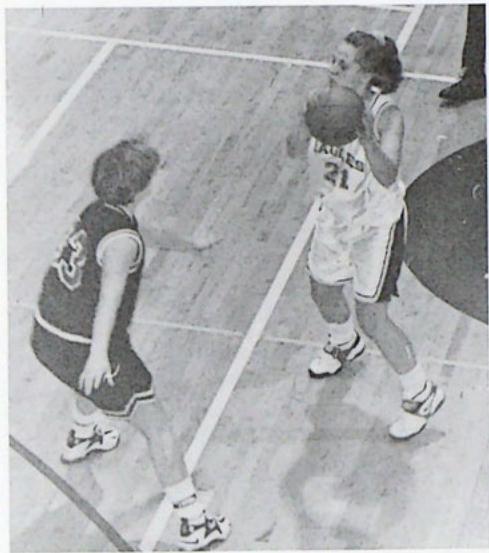
The coaches were constantly encouraging the team to work hard. Even fellow teammates pushed each other in practice, keeping in mind that no one got any better if they were "slacking." The team goal to "improve each day we

step onto the court" shaped the team's determination.

Unselfishness was a reward in itself for the team. The girls said that they always felt best in the games where they depended on each other.

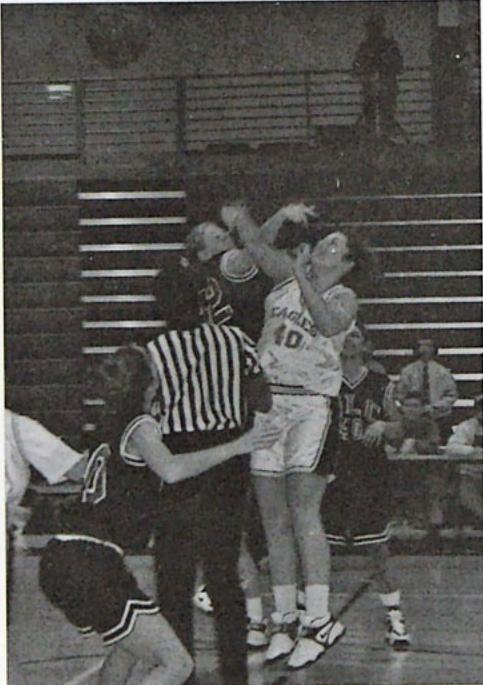
The team kept Christ as its focus during devotionals and also in its actions during games. The girls were reminded to have a Christ-like attitude while staying calm, remaining focused and setting an example. Emily Crabtree said, "By meeting every day and having devotions, we drew closer on and off the court."

-Amanda Paulson



HERE WE GO!

Ready to start the play, Laurie Toews looks for an open teammate. She already had 50 assists before this game against Martin Luther. (Photo by Michelle Backstrom)



IT'S OURS!

The Eagle's six-foot center JoAnn Venhuizen competes for the ball at tip-off. JoAnn also led the team as a co-captain. (Photo by Michelle Backstrom)

SCOREBOARD

NWC	Opponent	Them
86	Crown	70
62	Viterbo	75
43	Cardinal Stritch	61
69	Northland	71
86	North Central Bible	47
75	Macalaster	83
88	Northland	54
63	UW-LaCrosse	72
70	UW-Stout	102
46	Valley City State	75
66	UM-Crookston	67
51	University Sioux Falls	75
53	Briar Cliff College	122
57	Peru State University	67
76	Concordia St.Paul	56
75	Martin Luther College	44
72	UW-Superior	61
61	St. Scholastica	82
117	North Central Bible	47
74	College St. Catherine	62
61	St. Olaf College	67
52	Northland College	63
94	Concordia College	53
74	Martin Luther College	55
62	St. Scholastica	88
72	Clark College (NAIA)	68
55	St. Scholastica (NAIA)	72

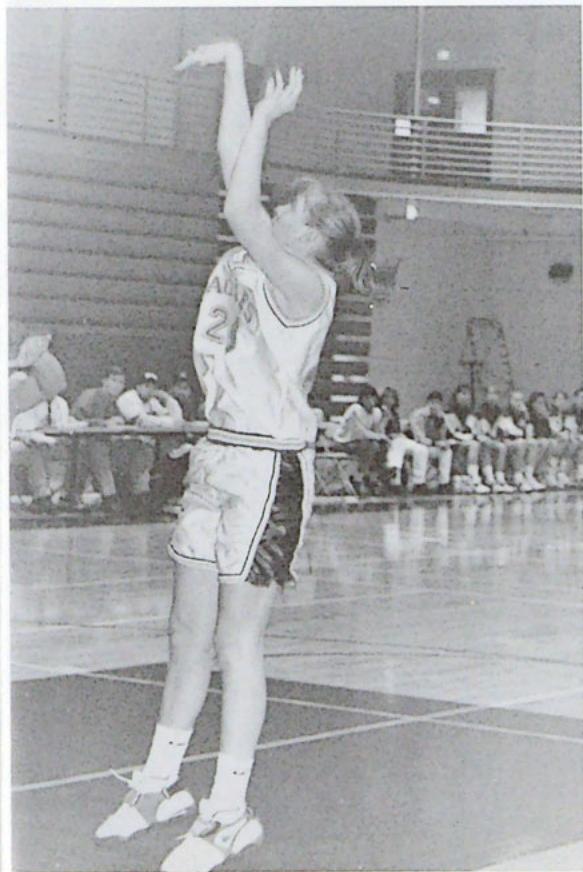


SKYHIGH

Following her shot, Joleen Carstens hangs in the air. Joleen led the team in rebounds, turnovers and steals in the season. (Photo by Michelle Backstrom)

LOOKOUT!

Emily Crabtree is so secure after a rebound that she can dribble with her eyes closed. Emily led the team with twelve rebounds against Martin Luther. (Photo by Michelle Backstrom)



GOOD FORM!

With the flick of her wrist, Beth Dollerschell puts the ball through the hoop. The Eagle's goal against Martin Luther was to work the ball inside and "get the ball in the basket." (Photo by Michelle Backstrom)

B-E-E-FIN' UP

With Balance, Elbow, Eye and Follow through, Suzanne McInnes shoots her free throws. Suzanne was a post player for the Lady Eagles. (Photo by Michelle Backstrom)

Together or Apart...

Golfers had a good season

Spectators looked on as Trent Hoffe made his final putt, clinching victory against Martin Luther College with a score of only eighty-one. The Northwestern golf team experienced its best season since the fall of 1992. The team drove and putted its way to seven victories and only two losses. Only five golfers are able to compete in each meet. Of these participants, the four best scores are tallied to comprise the team score. In individual competition, the Eagles had three players capture medalist honors. Trent Hoffe won at Martin Luther, Tim Kallevig

and Seth Thompson tied with a score of seventy-nine at St. Paul against Martin Luther and Pillsbury. The Eagles also set a school record in their last tournament game of the year where they shot a combined total of 318 as a team. With only one member leaving, the team looks to have another promising season next year. Trent Hoffe expressed, "Golf at Northwestern has been a great experience for me. The friends I have made there have really challenged me spiritually and with my golf game."

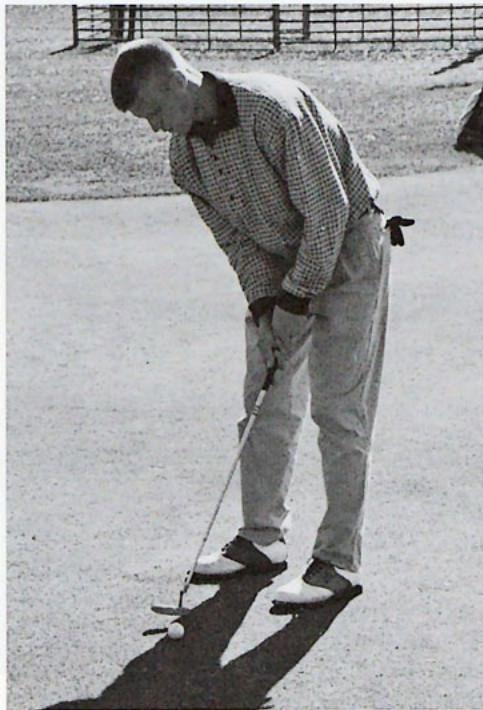
—Jason Stoll



GOLF TEAM Front Row: Tim Kallevig, Joel Synstelien Back Row: Rob Iten, Trent Hoffe, Seth Thompson, Head Coach Billy Aune

SCOREBOARD

Placing	Opponent	Score
1/2	Martin Luther	337
1/2	Pillsbury	342
3/4	Macalaster Tournament	726
1/3	Pillsbury/Martin Luther	346
1/3	Como Park Tournament	318



CONCENTRATION

Deep in thought, Joel Synstelien lines up his ball. Apart from the Macalaster Tournament, Joel improved his score with each meet.



SWING

Following through, Seth Thompson anticipates the result of his stroke. This was Seth's first year playing golf for Northwestern.

Hopes for Growth...

Cheerleaders Want More Opportunities



GO EAGLES GO!

Already in the first quarter, the squad energizes the crowd. The early 7-0 lead of the game was worthy of such enthusiasm. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)

This past year, Northwestern only had a football cheerleading squad. These seven high-spirited students made the most of their season and looked forward to continued growth in years to come.

The squad consisted of Rachel Demaster, Snezhana Bessonov, Joelle Blomberg, Stephanie Harrier, Melody Johnson, Sarah McHone and Alison Tofel under the advisement of Liz Miller. The highlight of their season was the trip to the Metrodome where the Eagles took on Concordia. Cheerleading wasn't all fun and games, however. In

preparation for that game and other excitements of the season, the ladies worked hard. One workout included repetitively running the four flights of stairs in Nazareth.

Hopefully no potential cheerleaders would be scared off by these regiments. The squad was hoping for an increase in number for the tryouts next year and eventually they would like to be able to cover a wide range of sports. As an encouragement to those considering going out for the squad, freshman Alison Tofel said, "Cheerleading is always fun."

-Amanda Paulson

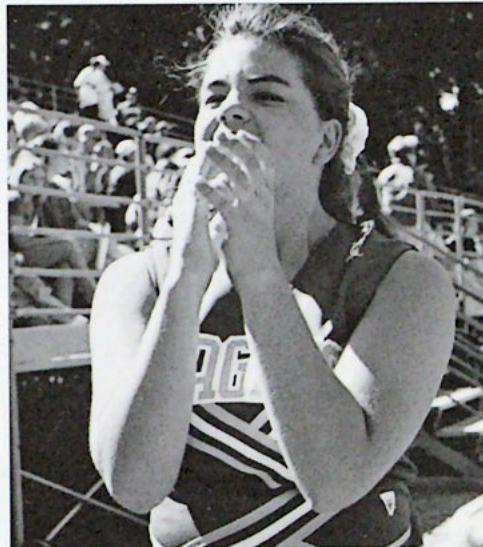


PURPLE AND GOLD!

With precise movement, Joelle Blomberg entertains the crowd. Each cheerleader made it her priority to involve the spectators. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



CHEERLEADING SQUAD Bottom Row: Sarah McHone
Middle Row: Stephanie Harrier, Snezhana Bessonov,
Joelle Blomberg, Rachel Demaster, Alison Tofel Top
Row: Melody Johnson



MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE!

Yelling with all of her heart, Alison Tofel cheers on the Eagles football team. Alison was in charge of and taught stunts this past year. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)

Ending... Beginning...



HAPPY BIRTHDAY, SPIFF! In honor of her birthday, nine seniors rally together in Roman garb to celebrate with Stephanie Hann, the crowned queen in the back row. Later that night, some of them went down to the Eagle's Nest and jumped in the pool.

Final Chapter

Filling empty pages in the future...

In walking across the stage and taking firm hold of their diplomas, Northwestern's 1997 graduates wrote the last words of their last chapter at Northwestern. For some, graduation was not soon enough; while for others, it could have waited a moment longer. An anonymous senior exclaimed, "I really miss being on campus and living the whole college experience, but at the same time, I am looking forward to graduating and working. There is something about being independent from Northwestern that sound so appealing and challenging."

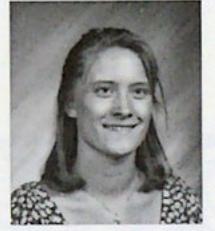
For all, it was the origin of a new novel that they would fill the experiences of glory, revelry, distress and always of God's relentless love. "My years at Northwestern have been the most memorable years of my life. I have gained lifelong friends and a quality Christ-centered education. Most significantly, I have become closer in my walk with God. This is something that I would never would have gotten at a secular school," said Gail Thayer. In a word or two, our 1997 graduates' days at Northwestern were timeless moments filling up pages that turn in their memory.



Ginger R. Adams
Communications



Greer D. Aitken
Physical Education



Chrystal M. Albrecht
Physical Education



Christina C. Allen
History



Paul A. Amann
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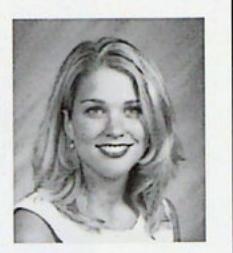
Keith P. Anderson
Broadcasting



For the Lord grants wisdom! His every word is

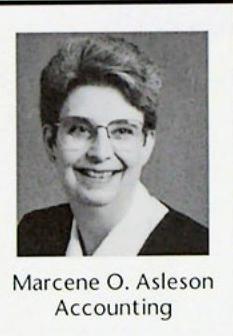


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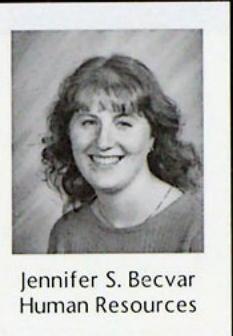


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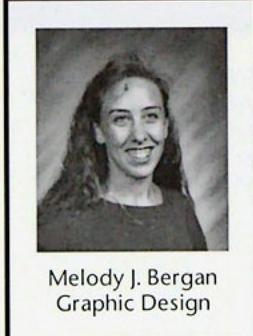
SANTA WAS HERE After opening Christmas presents with her roommates at their South Campus apartment, Allison Ziegewied chats on the phone while wearing obvious signs that Santa did indeed pay a visit. Allison and her roommates attempted to open their gifts several times, only to be interrupted by constant phone calls from her boyfriend.



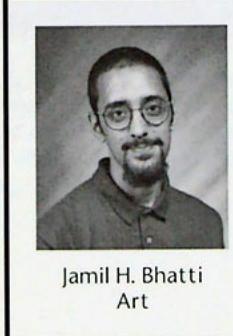
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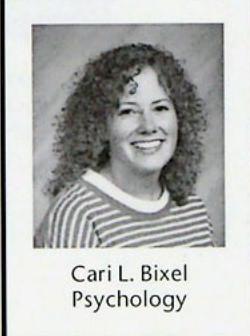
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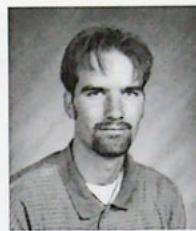
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Jamil H. Bhatti
Art



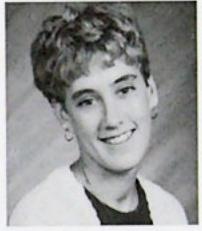
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Psychology



Lon E. Bjornrud
Youth Ministries



Kathrine I. Bliss
Elementary Education



Anne W. Bolsem
Elementary Education



Jacqueline A. Borchardt
Elementary Education



Sarah A. Bowman
Psychology



John C. Brandenburg
Graphic Design



Dawn N. Buller
Elementary Education



Trisha L. Buster
Christian Education



Keila Campos De
Oliveira
ESL



Joleen K. Carstens
Youth Ministries

a treasure of knowledge and understanding.

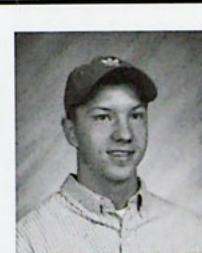
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Melissa L. Caughlan
Christian Education



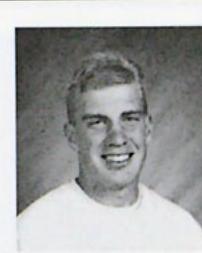
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ESL Education



Jody J. Cullen
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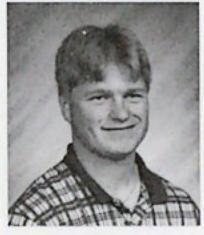
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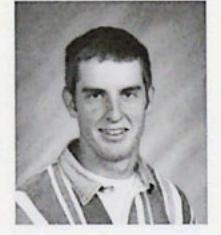
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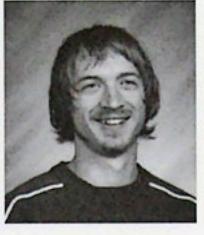
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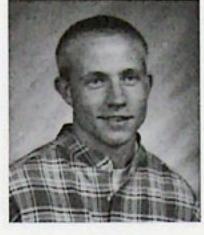
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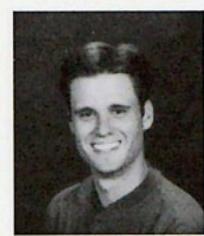
OPEN UP WIDE At the Jaws exhibit in Universal Studios, Casey Petersen, Jefferson Hagen and Amy Ann Espeseth get acquainted with a hungry fish. They were sent to attend the National Associate Collegiate Press Conference as part of the Column staff.



Kathryn L. Feltmann
Communications



Jenny L. Fast
History



Bart J. Fischer
Social Science



Sarah L. Flatness
Broadcasting



Amanda K. Fluth
Christian Education



Trisha R. Freedman
Mathematics Education



Chastati L. French
Music



Brenda K. Fromenthal
Youth Ministries



Toby L. Fuerst
Finance



Jamie K. Galioto
Accounting



Stephane L. Gehrls
English Literature



BLAAAAAHHHHH! Expressing displeasure and some disgust, Dawn Buller makes faces at her reading material as she relaxes at home. Dawn was an Elementary Education major and did her student teaching with second graders during the winter quarter.



Tiffany N. George
Psychology



Heather L. Glasser
Psychology



Fredrick L. Glassing
Broadcasting



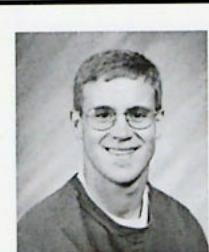
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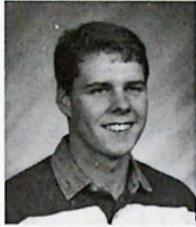
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Bus. Administration



Ruth N. Gunderson
Journalism



Tonya L. Gunn
Graphic Design



Peter A. Gusick
Business



Jefferson D. Hagen
Communications



Jane L. Hallan
Elementary Education



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Biology



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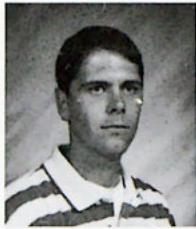


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Music Education

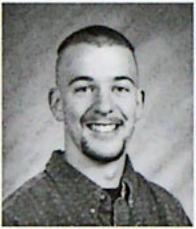


Kristine E. Hess
Marketing

In everything you do, put
God first and he will direct



Trent J. Hoffe
Marketing



Timothy G. Houk
Christian Education



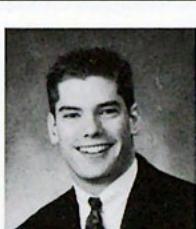
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Jennifer D. James
Art



Dallas L. Jenkins
Communications



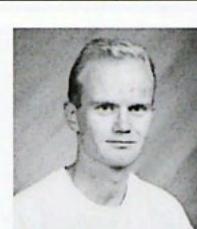
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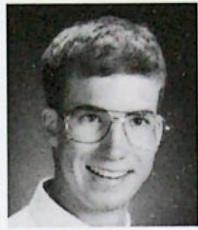
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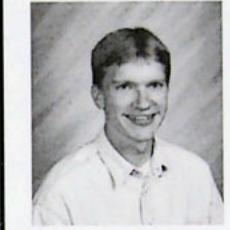
Kristian Kahrs
Journalism



Grant D. Keller
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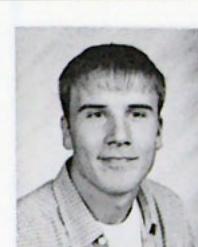
Bambie T. Laduke
Office Administration



ONE FINAL ROUND Behind Maranatha, Damon Pfaff, Dallas Jenkins and Richard Redding duke it out during a break from one of their full-dress rehearsals. All three men were in the fall musical, "Meet Me in St. Louis."



Sarah M. Larson
Accounting



Michael P. Lauritzen
Psychology



Shawna K. Leach
General Business



Carrie J. Lewis
English Literature



Roger C. Ligman, Jr.
Biblical Studies



Marina V. Litovka
Finance

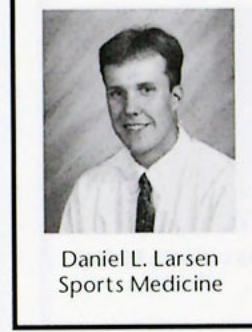


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Graphic Design

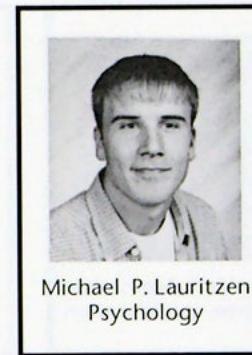
you and crown your efforts with success.

Proverbs 3:6

3:6



Daniel L. Larsen
Sports Medicine



Erik K. Lorentzen
Graphic Design



Carey B. Magee
Elementary Education



Jonathan E. Malvig
Biology



David L. McKee
Pastoral Studies



PROUD TO BE A SENIOR! In NWC's second annual Homecoming parade, seniors Sarah Larsen, Sara Harms and Gina Dahl kneel proudly in front of the Senior float. Unfortunately, they lost to the freshman for the award for the best float in the parade.



Jessica A. Meacham
Elementary Education



Ezra N. Mehlhaff
History



Candice J. Miller
Accounting



Chad R. Miller
Physical Education



Jody L. Miller
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Todd E. Miller
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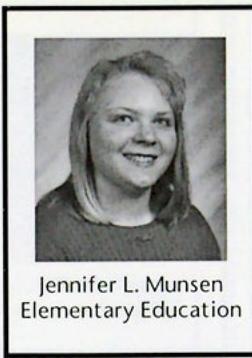
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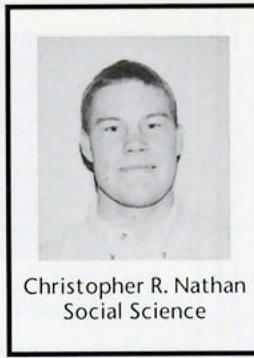
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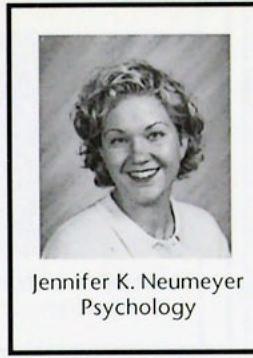
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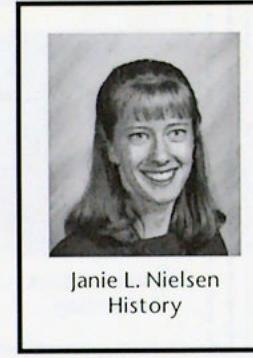
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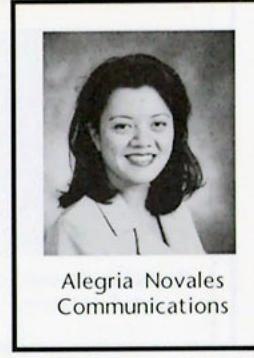
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Social Science



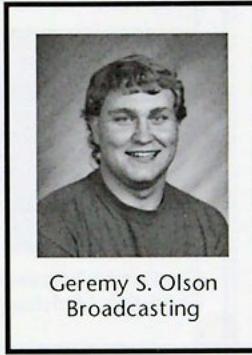
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Janie L. Nielsen
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Alegria Novales
Communications



Jeremy S. Olson
Broadcasting



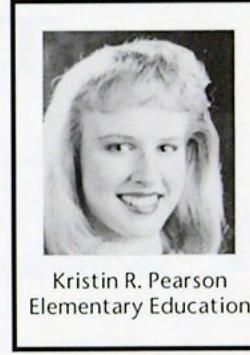
WHITE ELEPHANT CHRISTMAS Putting to practice the fashion tips she learned from "Vogue", R.A. Anne Endersbe sports sunglasses and a hat, which were some of the white elephant gifts. This year's Resident Assistants Christmas party was hosted by Monica Groves, the dean of students.



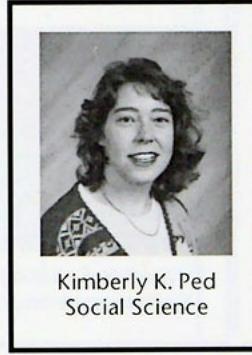
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Ministries



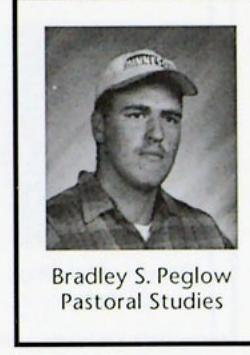
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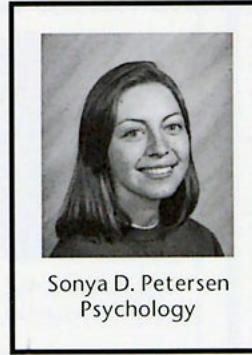
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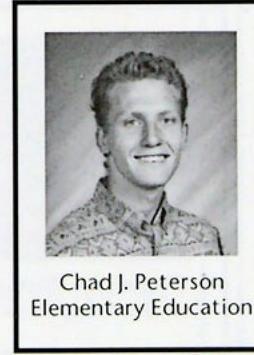
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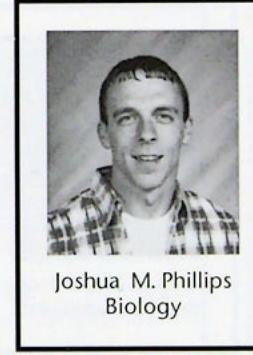
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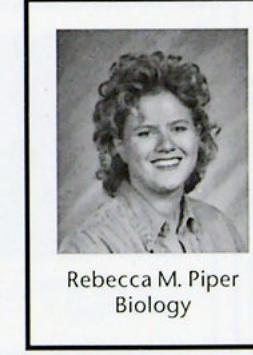
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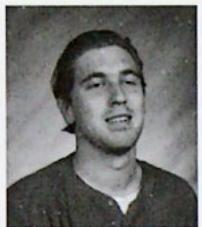
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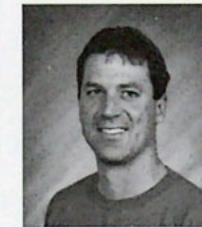
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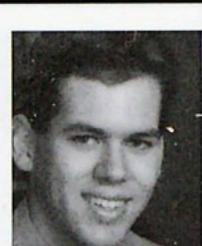


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English Writing

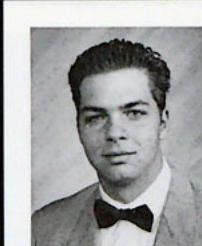


Cynthia M. Redding
Children's Ministries

The Lord is wonderfully good to those who



David G. Redding
History

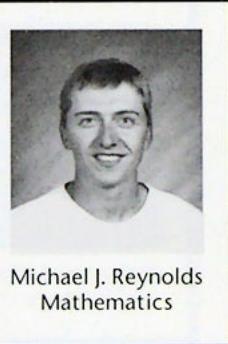


Richard W. Redding
Communications

WATCH OUT BETTY CROCKER Burning her roommates' "first day of school" breakfast muffins, Stacey Baker starts off the school year with an "A" for effort in the kitchen. It was reported by one of her roommates, Tara Sasse, that those muffins ended up in the pits of the garbage, and not in their stomachs.



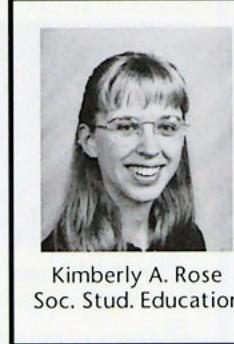
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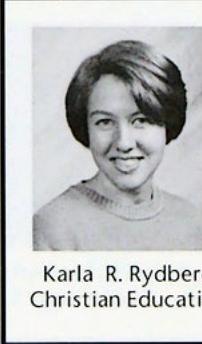
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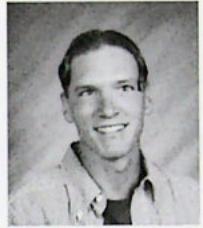
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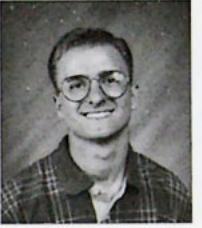
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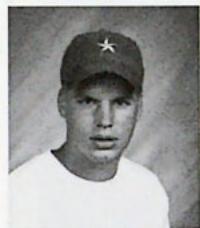
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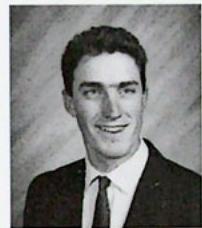
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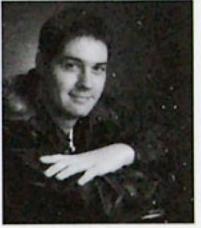
Brett L. Sipes
Accounting



Amy E. Smith
Youth Ministries



Stephen A. Smith
Cross-Cult. Ministries



Geoffrey R. Soeder
Communications

**wait for Him, to those
who seek Him.**

Lam. 3:25



Todd R. Soxman
Sports Studies



Sherry C. Steinert
Children's Ministries



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English Education



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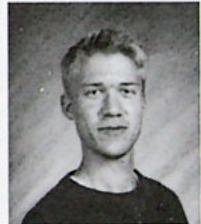
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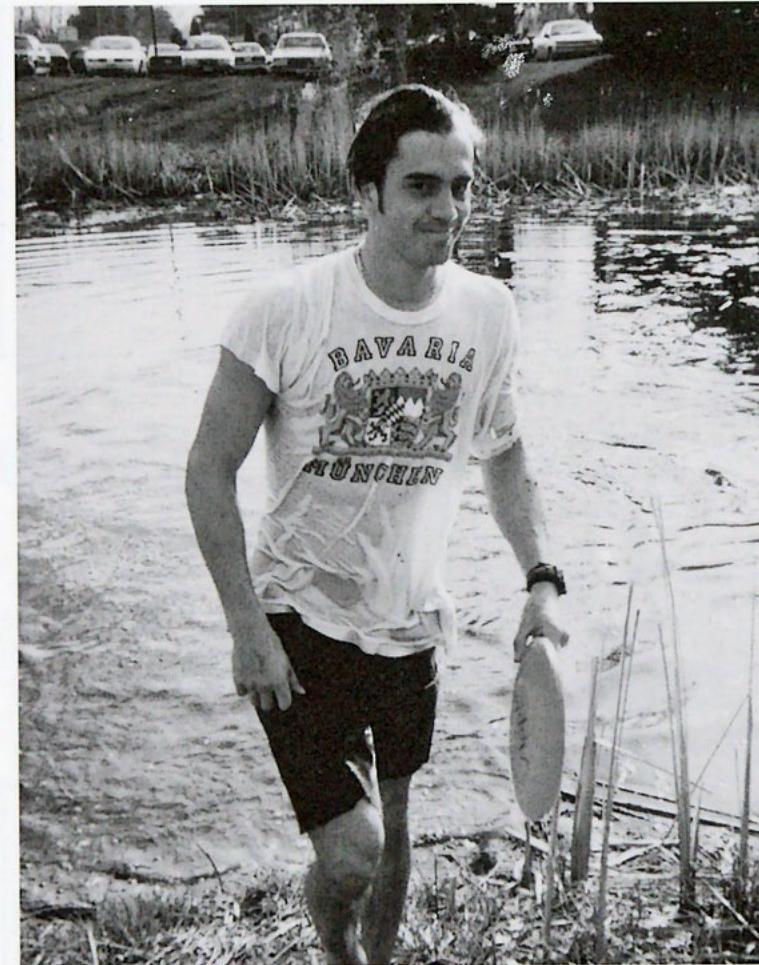
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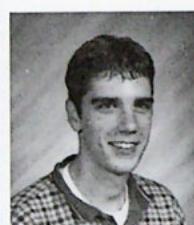
FETCH Emerging out of the small pond in the back of the dorms, and looking like something out of "The Creature from the Black Lagoon," is Brian Zibell. Brian was playing frisbee with his friends during a spring picnic on the lawn, when he became the designated "fetcher of the frisbee" after it landed in the pond.



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Elementary Education



Janelle J. Wicht
International Business



Joel M. Wiens
Communications



Angela D. Woodward
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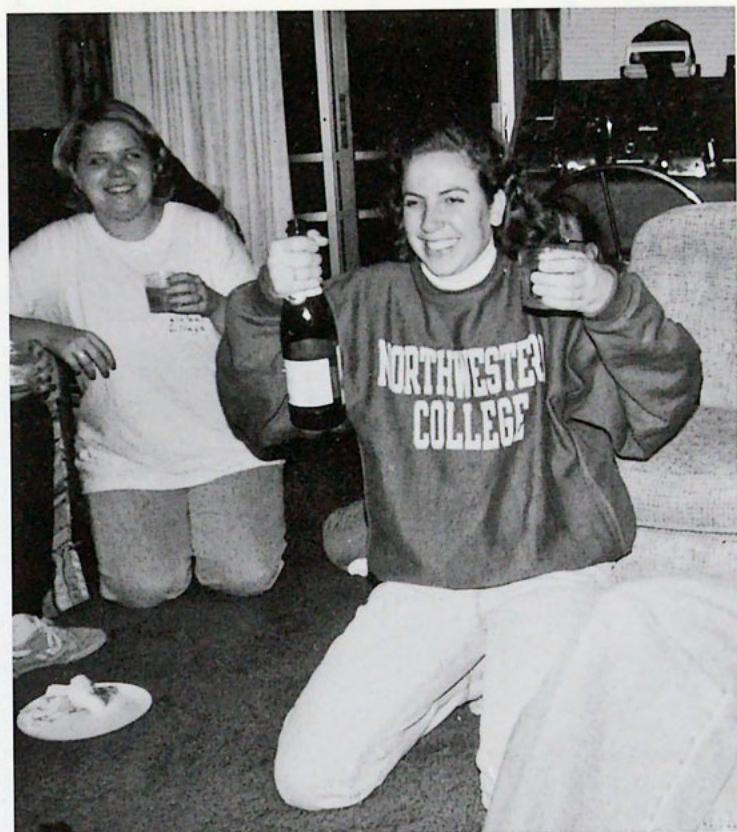
Angelica R. Young
Marketing



Carianne D. Young
Psychology



Paul S. Zimmerman
Psychology



BOTTOMS UP Gladly holding the golden bubbly that filled her glass and that of her friend, Angela Schrade, is Heather Glasser. Heather and some of her friends ventured off to Angela's houseboat after Homecoming. No need to fret, the bubbly was sparkling apple cider.

BUFFED UP Proving their manliness and showing a little bit of family tension as Mike Senner referees, are Matt Schock and Jon Schock. No one really knows who won this battle of the arms, but one thing is certain, these guys are buff!



Not Pictured

Dennis W. Anderson
Kari A. Anderson
Vicki J. Anderson
Bobby R. Baker
Elizabeth A. Blosser
Christopher W. Bounds
Timothy L. Cave
Jennifer A. Chitwood
Dana V. Coyle
Dana H. Crowell
James R. Cunningham
John C. Cunningham
Michael L. Deboer
Jeremy D. Eby
Michael J. Ek
Charles J. Eller
Gilbert A. Evans
Laura J. Evans
Scott A. Evans
Rebecca J. Galioto
Jessica K. Gallipeau
Scott G. Groeneweg
Kaare A. Hegseth
Joel A. Hennings
Marci A. Heppner
Jennie M. Hermstad

Jeremy T. Hoffman
Wallace D. Hollen
Tricia A. Huge
Julie M. Johnson
Michael G. Keller
Michelle P. Keller
John B. Kirchner
Terry M. Kjersten
James A. Komoszewski
Melissa H. Kuklok
Gary D. Lambert
Joy W. Lary
Wendy M. Lenzmeier
Elizabeth N. Logan
Clary M. Lorner
Scott S. Loucks
Brenton K. Matson
Deena L. McKinney
Cherish A. Oberg
Jessica J. Olsen
Gregory B. Olson
Kara L. Ostrom
Nicole J. Owens
Chad E. Peters
Neil Peterson
Andrea E. Porter

Elizabeth A. Reese
Sandra H. Rickmeier
Sarah K. Rogers
Shawn C. Rogers
R.C. Rose
Richard A. Ross
Michelle L. Ruge
Jay A. Safford
Heather R. Sahlstrom
Amy J. Schaeffer
Lisa E. Schultz
Lenny L. Schwitters
Michael P. Senner
Pauline R. Spenst
Jason P. Stauffacher
Brandon J. Sutton
Kelly J. Thompson
Renee S. Toutges
Julene R. Vandezande
Yeu Margaret-Xiong Vang
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Hans D. Wolters
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Brian W. Zibell

At their very best...

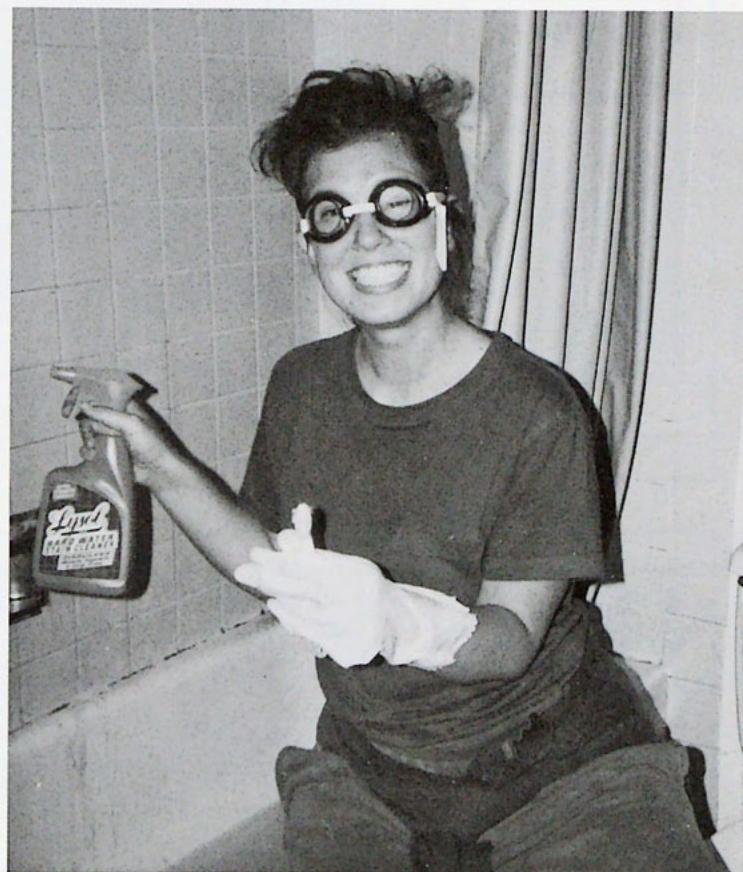
ON LOCATION Top: St. Paul's Cathedral in London offers great videotaping opportunities for Emily Mohrland. Emily, a communications major, taped hours of film during a summer missionary trip to Northern Ireland, which also included a stop in London, England.

SCRUB A TUB Bottom right: Final inspection means business for Jen Fast. The annual final inspection involved all areas of living and often involved such precision requiring the scrubbing of cracks or fan blades with a toothbrush.

ONE LAST TIME Several of Northwestern's drama seniors get together at Perkin's for some fun after a rehearsal for "Meet Me In St. Louis." The drama department lost six drama seniors after this year's graduation.

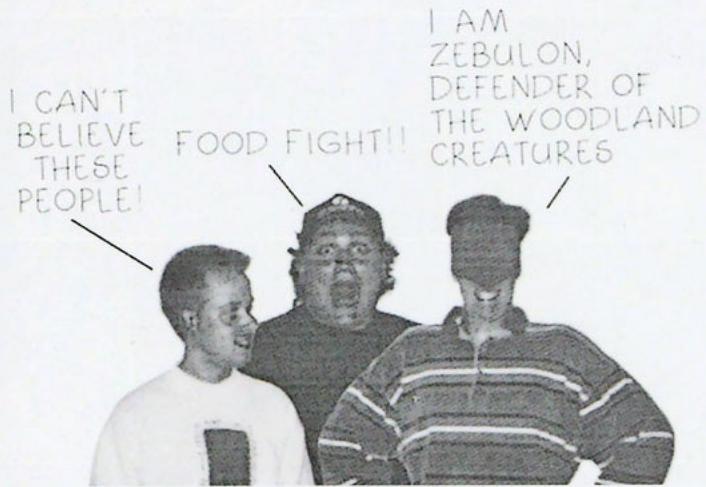


THAT'S A WRAP NWSA's president Quint Towle, and vice president, Justin Hoskings, have a little fun with the tape they used to seal the care packages passed out during finals week. Quint had to receive approval from last year's Senate to run for this year's presidency because he was only at Northwestern for three quarters, instead of the five that is required to run for president.



GOIN' ON A JOB HUNT Visiting a booth at the job fair, Toby Fuerst seeks out possible employment opportunities during fall quarter. Several of Northwestern's students found jobs that offered good pay and fit into their schedules.

GROOVY GIRLS All decked out for a groovy night out on the town are Trina Kramer, Amy Jo Stoltz, and Jen Neumeyer. The girls dressed up for a 70's roller skating party sponsored by NWSA.



WILD N' CRAZY GUYS Created exclusively for the sheer pleasure of having it around to show off (and to hopefully get it in the yearbook) is this picture of Casey Petersen, Jeremy Olson and Luke Coll. All three were often seen together working on NWC Report, which was taped every Thursday.

Hebrews 12:1-2

Since we have such a huge crowd of men of faith watching us from the grandstands, let us strip off anything that slows us down or holds us back, and especially those sins that wrap themselves so tightly around our feet and trip us up; and let us run with patience the particular race that God has set before us. Keep your eyes on Jesus, our leader and instructor. He was willing to die a shameful death on the cross because of the joy he knew would be his afterwards; and now he sits in the place of honor by the throne of God.

—CLASS OF 1997 VERSE

Seniors...

Andrew/Benjamin Matthew
Baker/Stacey Lynnae
Berg/Sarah Louise
Brito/Irma J.
Britz/Andrew James
Campbell/Jason Charles
Chowaniok/Miroslav



Christensen/Paula Jo
Christiansen/Nichole Marie
Clark/Daniel Robert
Cummings/Leah Faith
Dahl/Janelle K.
Deboer/Angela Joy
Dyrud/Victoria Joanne



Ewing/Michelle Ann
Farmer/Trisca Ann
George/Annalisa Marie
Greenlee/Jeffrey Douglas
Guhlike/Scott Everett
Hafstedt/Hope Elizabeth
Hansen/Craig Steven



Hartsoch/Brent Arley
Hayashi/Yuriko
Herring/Amber Nicole
Hjelle/Stacey Lynn
Johannesen/Mark Allen
Johnson/Melissa Ann
Johnston/Stacia Anne



Jones/Cybil Marie
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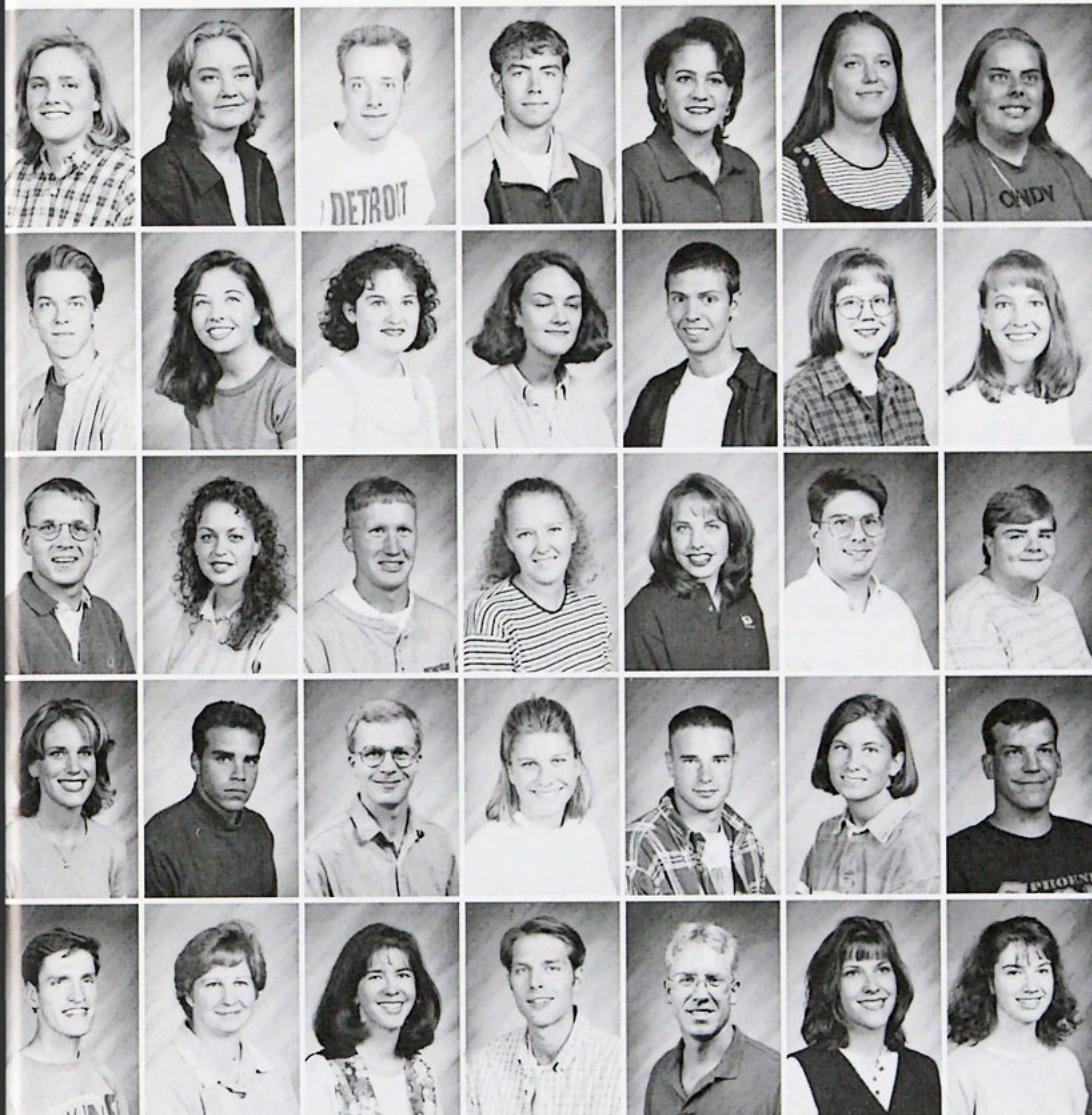
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Martin/Anne Marie



Morgan/Shelly Ann
Moss/Trenton Edward
Murphy/Nathaniel Henry
Myhre/Randi Frances
Nelson/Kari Ann
Nelson/Matthew Jason
Olson/Ruth Elizabeth



Perseverence is definitely a virtue



Pagel/Jonie Michelle
Paradise/Shanais Lynn
Petersen/Casey Jonathan
Pettit/Joshua David
Pilkington/Cheryl Ann
Rasmussen/Laura Faye
Rhea/Cynthia Lea

Riley/Nathaniel David
Risler/Dana Paulette
Rodrick/Christine Andrea
Russell/Jodie Kristine
Schurr/Matthew Jason
Selk/Michelle Lynn
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Sherman/Rebekah Mae
Skillestad/Eric Neal
Squiers/Janet Kay
Staffon/Christine Dawn
Stauffacher/Jason Peter
Steiner/Jason Michael

Sternitzky/Kari Anne
Stewart/Eric Roy
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Swanson/Jolaine Kay
Tacheny/Timothy Peter
Thurow/Heather King
Thurow/Joshua Paul

Vance/Jeremy David
Walters/Suzanne Denise
Wiker/Jenifer Sue
Youngberg/Eric Daniel
Zetek/Darren Richard
Ziegweid/Allison Rose
Zoschke/Merindy Grace

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Alfonso/ Anthony James
Backer/ Karon
Baumler/ Alice K.
Brestel/ Traci J.
Espeseth/ Amy Ann
Farrant/ James David
Harris/ Dawn L.
Hendricks/ David R.
Johnson/ Christine Lynne

Leusch/ Tad Dean
Limbo/ Alain "Bob"
Lindquist/ Judith Kay
Lindstrom/ Nathaniel Lee
Luebeck/ Stephanie K.
Martin/ Eric David
Pentti/ Daniel James
Rhodes/ Brett Allen

Riess/ Aaron Michael
Schuhwerck/ Tami
Siikarla/ Eric Neal
Skogerboe/ Joshua Neil
Smith/ Paul Richard
Ueta/ Junko
Vanderschaaf/ Jana Michelle
Voiss/ Steven Jeffrey

Features... Purpose...



FRONT-ROW FOOTBALL FANS Amy Mehrer, Andrew King and Mike Smith are all smiles as they joined in the festivities at Homecoming '96. These three undergraduates were part of the larger student body who supported the Eagles' athletic efforts. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)

Undergraduates

New forms of Dialogue...

Somebody, somewhat wise, once said, "No man's an island." And that is certainly the case here on the campus of Northwestern. With 1400 students from 18 countries, there is an underlying, God-given desire to reach out and make friends. Yet, the methods of communication chosen are as diverse as the people themselves. The differences in each of us are but a part of the equation...a smaller aspect of the bigger picture. Diversity of culture is not a substitute for unity of purpose. Despite all our differences, we are drawn together for one purpose: to communicate Jesus Christ as our Saviour in all that we do.

Each face in this undergraduate section represents a life staring at the future; a future of immense uncertainty and change. Even our coming together is growing more diverse. How we reached out and communicated in the past will no longer suffice. In a word...or two, we now engage ourselves in new forms of dialogue. Voice mail, e-mail and the "Net" have found their way, whether we like it or not, into our world, widening our choices and increasing our means of communication. Yet through this diversity, we grow more unified. Despite the many immersing methods of this time, it still comes down to us making the age old decision to reach out.

Stephanie Gehrts

Close but Not Quite

Juniors take another step up the ladder to graduation and the real world

This year's juniors were no longer underclassmen and were gradually becoming "locked" into their majors, coming closer to graduation and a career.

The transition to being a junior came with new responsibilities. For example, juniors could move off-campus, focus more on their majors and begin preparing themselves for the real world. But as with any new change, there came adjustments. For some there were concerns with losing close friendships due to busier schedules and a move off-campus.

For others, it meant worrying about not remembering all of the information they had learned throughout school or that their financial resources would soon run dry. Juniors soon learned the value of time. Balancing classes, jobs, social and spiritual lives was quite a juggling act. Finding time to sleep while maintaining sanity was also a skill learned by experience. Deciding what was a priority could be a chore, but Jeremy Erickson summed it up rather well: "When things need to get done, my time is used most efficiently when I give to God what He deserves first."

Aalsma/Timothy J
Adamson/Eric Jon
Alexander/Joseph *Scott*
Allen/Daniel Antone
Anderson/Dayna Jean
Anderson/Krista Rene
Anderson/Rebecca Christine



Aust/Bradley A
Backstrom/Brent Jonathan
Barrineau/Shauna Esther
Berglund/Eric Rudolph
Bertram/Joel Robert
Bessonov/Michael
Bliss/Carl Edward



Boehm/Heather Rose
Bohler/Carla Marie
Bolton/Mandie Michele
Booth/Sara Jo
Brandenburg/Paul
Brandt/Jeremy Ray
Brown/Elaine M



Brown/Heather Fern
Bugbee/Sonya Suzanne
Caldwell/Jonathan Paul
Carlson/Donald Henry
Carlson/Kendra Louise
Case/Cathy Lynn
Chandler/Melissa Michelle



Coll/Lucas Timothy
Cooper/Allison Mae
Cox/Andrew Jonathan
Cruver/Samuel Jason
Dalbey/Timothy Albert
DaFoe/Jaime Dorothy
DeBuhr/Joy Christine





ANY COMMENTS?

Radioman Carl Bliss interviews Jennifer Heyer during Orientation Weekend. Both juniors had a laugh as our student broadcasting introduced itself to the 1996-97 student body.

STUCK ON THE ISLAND

These cheery sailors Shannon Rising and Angela Stoinski, beached at quad three(3) during Moyer's Open House. "TV Land" was selected as the theme this year which included everyone's favorite, "Gilligan's Island." (photo by Dale Lewis)



DeFoe/Jason Alan
DeMaster/Rachel May
Domokos/Douglas Paul
Dyck/Austin Joel
Elliott/Amy Elizabeth
Emerson/Heather Grace
Emerson/Heidi Lynae

Emery/Jennifer Kay
Endresen/Harald
Engbrecht/Abigail Lee
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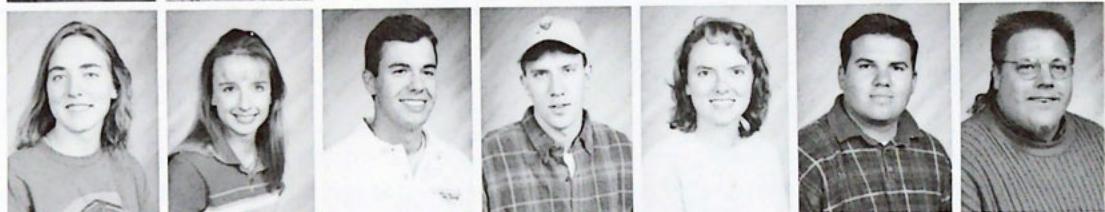
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Gray/Jennifer Christina
Gullifer/Sara Elizabeth
Gustafson/Jon Leo
Hacking/Paul Daniel
Haedtke/Philip Luke
Hafemann/Sheila Kaye

Hall/Mariellen Patricia
Hamel/Kari Elise
Hanson/Carin Renee
Harder/Sara Lou
Harrier/Aaron Mark
Haskell/Kristin Kaye
Hatlevig/Amy Michelle



Helmbrecht/Angela Karen
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Heyer/Jennifer Arlene
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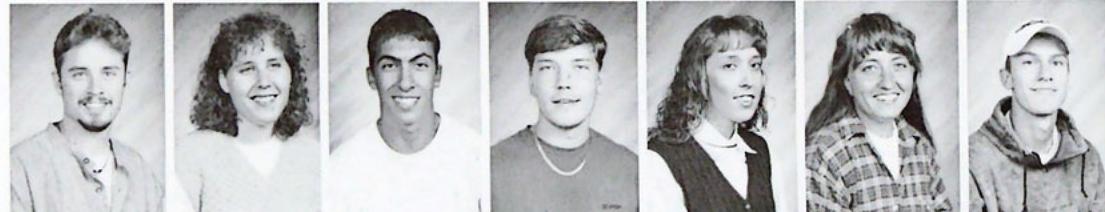
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Jarvis/Amanda Lee
Jessen/Chanda Anne



Johnson/Ethan Paul
Johnson/Julie Meyer
Johnson/Ryan Reuel
Jonasen/Johan Olaf
Keller/Eric Paul
Kempka/Bobbie Lynne
Kerr/Timothy Shane



Klein/Wylder Jay
Kock/Carmen Sue
Korn/Shane Everett
Korst/Matthew William
Kramer/Kelly Lynn
Kramer/Trinette Lori
Kraus/Charles Richard



GET ME OUTTA HERE!

Nathan Seibel struggles to escape from his sumo wrestler suit on Maranatha Lawn. Sumo wrestling and velcro wall jumping were among the popular events at the NWSA's BBQ & Fun, which kicked off the organization's activities for the year. (Photo by Tricia Gibson.)

FUN IN THE SUN

Moyer's "Baywatch" quad poses beautifully during Moyer's Open House. The quad bought wigs from Target to add that special touch in hopes of receiving the most votes for the best quad. (Photo by Tricia Gibson.)





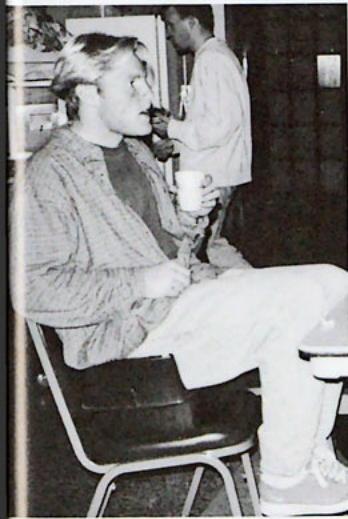
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Marzullo/Heather Jean
Mattson/April Dawn
Mauer/Jennifer Lynn
McCall/Andrew Robert
McCune/Jill Marie
McGrew/Regina Ann
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McNeely/Shannon L
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Miller/Sherilyn Kay
Miltenberger/Todd Nathanael
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Moore/Matthew David
Munsell/Ann Marie

Newton/Joy Marie
Nguyen/Quoc-Khanh
Niedfeldt/Sara Lynn
Nirgude/Natalie L
Nordquist/Heather Renae
Nordvold/Julia Anne
Norman/Jason Bruce



SOME EXTRA HEIGHT Jason Sasse is feeling a bit sassy as he squeezes into a booster chair in Café Nazareth. Café Naz brought friends together and often allowed for fun opportunities to lighten a day with laughter. (Photo by Tricia Gibson.)

**And the
survey
says:
The
highlight
of being
a junior is...**

"Actually learning something I enjoy and that deals with my major."

-Natalie Nirgude

"I'm finally at the homestretch of getting my degree!"

-Heidi Jo Peterson

"Finally, I'm an upperclassman, but I don't have to leave at the end of the year."

-Austin Dyck

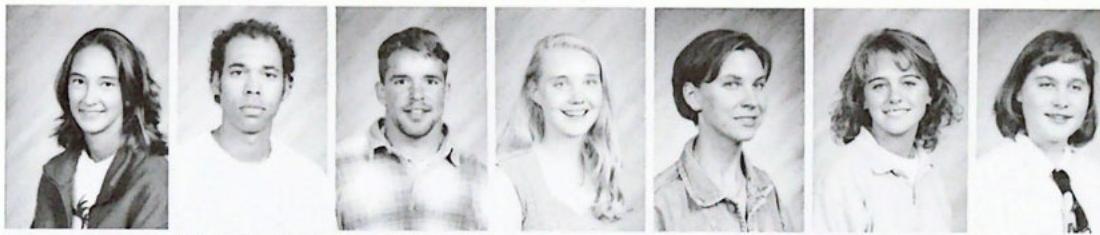
"It's the best place to be—you don't have anything to prove to everyone anymore and you don't have to worry about the real world yet."

-Heather Brown

"So many of my friendships have had time to become more developed and a lot deeper."

-Kevin Langmaack

Norman/Stacy Leigh
Northern/Ambor*Buschka*
Ogston/Thomas Allan
Olson/Karmen Dawn
Parr/Katie Marie
Pazurek/Corrina Lee
Pederson/Sarah Elisabeth



Peterson/Heidi Jo
Prischmann/Erinn Joy
Read/Terra Janice
Renner/Jody Lynn
Reynolds/Daniel James
Reynolds/Timothy Randal
Richardson/Elizabeth Amy



Rising/Shannon M
Roelofs/Rachel Joan
Rogers/Lori Renae
Rose /Sara
Sailors/Mary Esther
Sands/Christa
Sasse/Jason Adam



Sawyer/Bryan Matthew
Schock/Jon Daniel
Schrade/Angela Courtenay
Seguin/Chris Eugene
Seibel/Nathan Jay
Selness/Jesse David
Severson/Patrick James



Severson/Sarah Elizabeth
Shin/Jeewon
Shiner/Michelle Louise
Silva/Angela Diane
Simonov/Elizabeth
Sklena/Michelle Leigh
Skoland/Kurt Erik



Relief is Spelled...

How To Handle Stress

1. Jam tiny marshmallows up your nose and try to sneeze them out.
2. Mail yourself a letter from a secret admirer.
3. Use your Visa card to pay for your Mastercard charge.
4. Fill out all forms today using roman numerals.
5. Put Alka-Seltzer tablets under your tongue just before your marketing presentation.
6. Stare at people through the tines of a fork and pretend they're in jail.
7. Make up a language and ask people for directions.
8. Smear yourself with caramel and make popcorn with the lid off.
9. See how well the cheesecake sticks to the wall in Café Nazareth.
10. Make a list of resolutions to a) Exercise b) Eat less junk food
c) Study more d) Throw away the list.



TEAMWORK IN PROGRESS

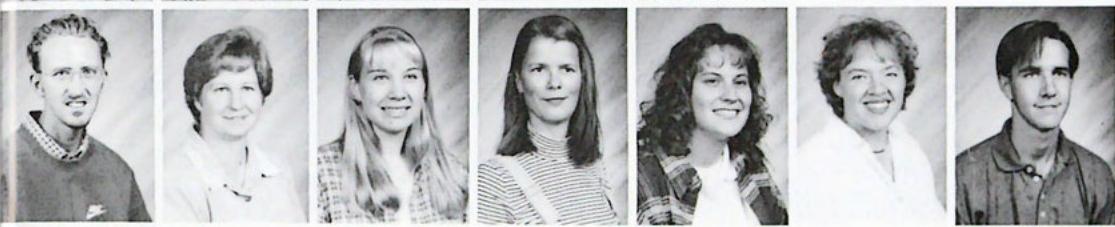
Caught in the midst of a team moment, Stephanie Traudt grin proudly. Northwestern's Powder Puff game was one of the many highlights during Homecoming Week. (Photo by Tricia Gibson.)



Spenst/Pauline Rupp
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Stanke/David Daniel
Stanton/Joan Kathryn
Stoinski/Angela Jean
Stoltz/Amyjo Ann
Stoltzman/Andrew Michael



Strauss/Laura Anne
Strissel/Scott Eric
Strom/Katherine Marie
Sunde/Molly Anne
Thompson/Jessa Ann
Tofel/Marnie Rae
Traudt/Stephanie Meg



Vangorp/Peder Brian
Walters/Suzanne
Wanek/Sarah Loretta
Weir/Cheryl Marie
Welch/Rebecca Ann
Wiener/Jennifer Lynn
Woolf/David Clayton



Wright/Richard Scott

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Arndt/Kori Ann
Barron/Rebecca Lin
Bly/Sara Elizabeth
Carey/Christopher
Carlson/Elizabeth A
Collins/James Lewis
Danielson/David
Dougan/Jennifer
Erickson/Jason Ian
Fair/Matthew Erik
Foty/Jennifer N
Franklin/James

Fry/Krystal Dawn
Glass/Zoie Lee
Groeneweg/Loren
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Hepola/Michael Jo
Hillman/Ryan
Horning/Erik James
Hunt/Charles David
Johnson/Joy
Johnson/Teresa
Katolick/Gail Lyn
Kettenacker/Katie

Keyes/Jennifer Corene
Kruckenberg/Kara Ranae
Latterell/Kera Joy
Ledo/Dustin Wade
Lundy/Kim Marie
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Owens/Nicole Jean

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Prigge/Ryan Anthony
Ranweiler/Patrick Jon
Rasmussen/Eric Martin
Ressie/Anthony John
Rickmeier/Sandra
Rupp/Jeremy Jay
Schmidtke/Amy
Schwenke/Naomi Joy

Smith/David
St. Louis/Kristin
Synstelien/Joel
Tilma/David Arthur
Torrenga/Brent
Turner/Jonelle
Vang/Cherrise Shoua
Washington/Randy
West/Megan Alyssa
Wilson/Matthew
Yelton/Tammy Lynn
Zoschke/Merindy



NKOTB MEMORIES

Juniors Angela Schrade, Mandie Bolton and Jessa Thompson fight the urge to laugh during their New Kids on the Block spoof. Several acts like these were featured during the fall variety show. (Photo by Rachael Nelli)

WE'VE GOT SPIRIT

Throwing candy at the crowd, Michelle Ewing, Rebecca Barron and Mel Chandler help spread some school spirit during the Homecoming Parade. The morning parade kicked off the games Saturday. (Photo by Dale Lewis)

A dorm is a dorm is a dorm... or is it??

"It is time..." As dorm life began, these curious words printed on the shirts of the orientation crew prepared sophomores for the start of a new year. "My roommates and I were friends from last year, so I kind of knew what to expect. We really respect each other," explained Clint Spieler.

Along with the traditional issues of overcrowding, food robbers and loud alarm clocks, some not so traditional issues were also addressed. The ongoing "Men for Moyer" saga proved that taking action can parallel with having a good time. "It started last year as a joke. We just wanted to know why guys cannot occupy a floor in Moyer or if they ever have. Hopefully they're considering it,

Life in the residences provides a forced learning environment for sophomores

but it's mostly just a fun time," said Kory Moore.

To add to college life, floor activities and weekly Bible studies were held. "Our floor activities are doing well. We played basketball against another floor, and it was pretty fun," commented Spieler. Impromptu bonding occurred through last minute preparation for inspection held once a week. "We have four people in our room, but I like it better that way because there's less to do during inspection. None of us are all there at the same time, but when we are we always have a good time," said Christine Kerndt.

Adam/Jessica Lynn
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Anderson/Jason Alan



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Anthony/Katherine E
Arndt/Ericka Lynn
Arnold/Katie Michelle



Ash/Eric Edward
Backholm/Caleb John
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Bailey/Michael Edward
Barger/Laurel Lee
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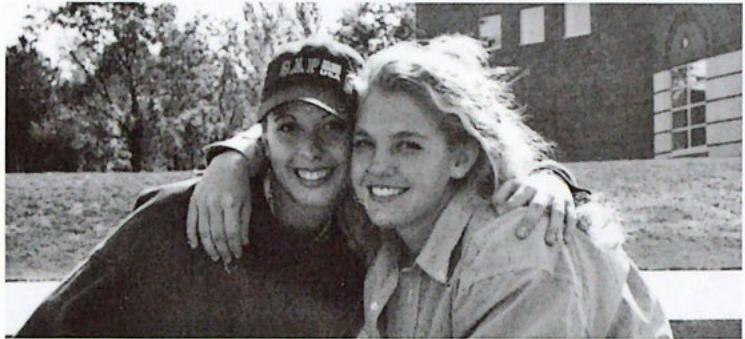


WHICH ROOM? Making her way to a dorm room in Knutson Hall on move-in day, Kendra Prunty carries a new student's belongings. "I decided to be a part of the orientation crew because I appreciated all the help I received when I was a freshman. It was a rewarding and exciting experience because I got to know more people before school even started," said Prunty. (Photo by Dale Lewis.)

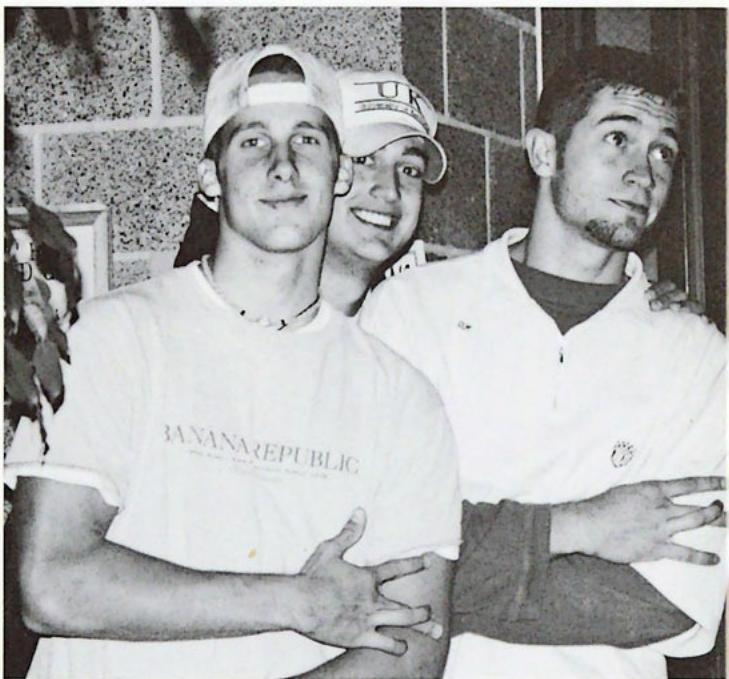
DESTINATION MOYER! Pondering the outcome of their efforts, seven of the nine "Men for Moyer" members view the world from a Moyer balcony in hopes that this will someday become an everyday outlook. To further express themselves, and add a bit of enjoyment, the men had t-shirts made that said "Men for Moyer" on the front and their last names on the back. (Photo by Tricia Gibson.)



BOSOM BUDDIES Amanda Dietz and Jenny Anderson enjoy each other's company by the Maranatha Fountain one sunny fall afternoon. "We always say that we could have fun in a bare room. We have the same group of friends. No matter what we're doing, studying, or anything else, we are always laughing. We are so much alike. We have the same sense of humor and personalities," said Dietz. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



HANGING OUT Jeff Thune, Matt Nelson and junior Dan Allen show their symbol of friendship after The Edge. The three have been friends since the beginning of last year and this gesture is their way of acknowledging their group of friends. "We enjoy going to Vespers at Bethel and The Edge where we spend time together in prayer. We do a little thing called 'The Huggy' where we all get in a group and pray," said Allen. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



Ellisor/Janet Renee
Enns/Darla Denise
Erickson/Keith Edward
Erickson/Seth
Evans/Jill Marie
Fischer/Tristan Wilma
Fisher/Emily Beth



Fiskness/Rhet Lincoln
Forrer/Yvette Nicole
Forsman/Jay Isaac
Frazier/Elizabeth Kjersten
Freed/Matthew John
French/Gianna Rae
Fritz/Rachel Jean



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Gilberts/Jennifer Lee
Gonzalez/Maggie Flores



Goodwin/Brian Michael
Grell/Reagan Peter
Groeneweg/Tammi Jo
Grunseth/Sara Katheryn
Gustafson/Laura Marie
Gutierrez/Carlos
Gutierrez/Danyelle Irene



Habstritt/Erin Louise
Hanson/Jon Carl
Harder/Michael Andrew
Harrier/Stephanie Ruth
Harrison/Jennifer Marie
Hartley/Christina Nadine
Hauge/Candace Joy



It was the best of times... It was the worst of times...

"My parents and I were at brunch my first Sunday here. Three girls walked by laughing and being obnoxious. I remember saying to my parents, "I'm glad she's not my roommate," referring to the leader of the group who seemed quite outspoken. Later, I was unpacking when my roommate, whom I had not met yet, walked into the room. It was the same girl I had seen in Café Naz! We have since become close friends, and we laugh about that story now."

—sophomore Danyelle Gutierrez

Students reveal fond memories and first impressions of now close friends

"With all the geese on campus, there are a lot of goslings in the springtime. One day I decided to try to catch one. When the goose and the gander realized what I was doing, they attacked me. Before I could get away, they had torn through my shirt, and I was black and blue. I still wanted to catch one, so I asked a guy who was walking by to give me a hand. We never did catch a gosling, but we became friends because of that day. Now we are roommates."

—sophomore Jon Dobowey



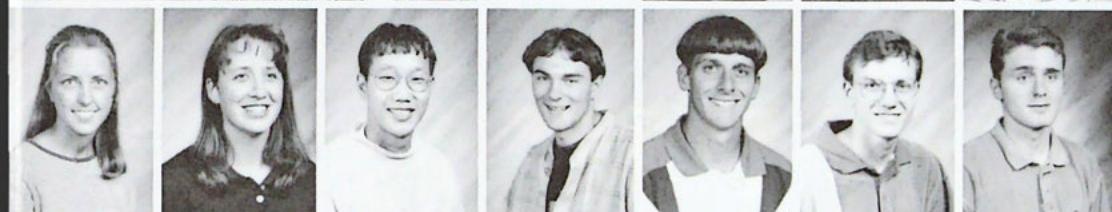
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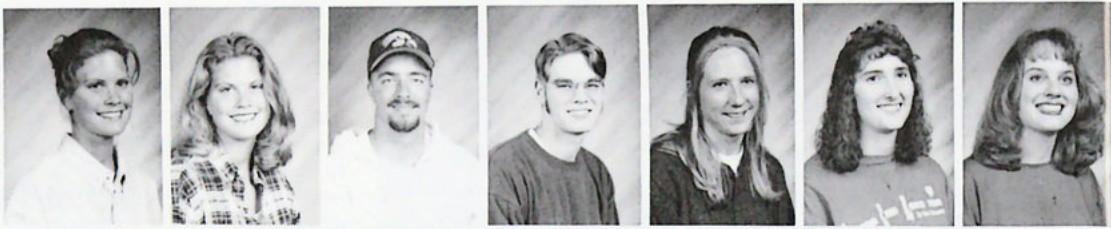


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Kemen/Bryan Alan



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King/Andrew Johnathan
Kirkpatrick/Melissa Linde
Klar/Heather Marissa
Kline-Blount/Amy Leigh
Klippenes/Jonathan Edward

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Kloss/Kevin Jonathan
Knight/Nathan Frederick
Knott/Stephanie Leigh
Konsor/Kara Lynn
Kuehnast/Heidi Marie



Lafollette/Julie Anne
Lanktree/Justine Rhiannon
Lapinski/Angela Megan
Larson/Sean
Laven/Joseph Robert
Leach/Shawna Kay
Lee/Nathan Oliver



Leslie/Holly Ann
Levisay/Nathaniel Don Wilson
Lewis/Andy Jason
Lindloff/Aaron J
Lund/Justine Noel
Mabe/Joshua James
Maciolek/Christopher Ralph



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Mandel/John Patrick
Martin/Kevin Paul
Martini/Angela Marie



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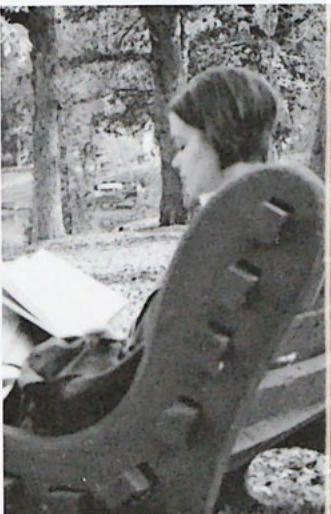


Here... or there... or everywhere...

- Dorm Room
- Library
- Nazareth Chapel Lounge
- Friend's Dorm Room
- Student Center

- The Island
- Television Lounge
- Perkins
- The Closet
- Study?!?

...And the most unusual place - A BARN!!!



PEACE AND QUIET Taking time away from peers and roommates, Jen Stroh enjoys the peace and solitude of Lake Johannah during fall quarter. Many students found studying outdoors provided a refreshing atmosphere spending time alone. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)



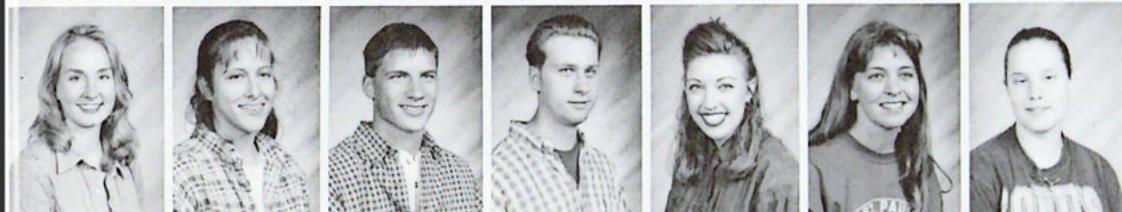
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Peckosh/Alissa Katherine
Perron/Joseph Francis
Peterson/Laurie Amber
Peterson/Rebecca Lynn
Peterson/ReNae Michele



UP AND AWAY In a tree on a fall day, Alissa Peckosh studies in peace. "I climbed the tree because it was such a beautiful day and I just wanted to enjoy it," said Peckosh. The extended, warm fall weather drew students to the outdoors. (Photo by Tricia Gibson.)

STUDY AWAY Senior Angela Deboer studies in the Nazareth Chapel Lounge during fall quarter. Many students found the couches in the second floor hallway to be quiet, comfortable and a great place to concentrate while studying. (Photo by Tricia Gibson.)

Peterson/Stacie Marie
Pfaff/Damon
Phillips/Ray Howard
Plack/Kevin Daniel
Plastow/William Edward
Plucar/Bryan Christopher
Portsche/Lindsey Renee



Pottorff/Karyn
Prudoehl/Michael Frederick
Prunty/Kendra Jean
Pryde/Celeste Ann
Quam/Marla Joy
Ramey/Rachel Diane
Ratzlaff/Stacie Leann



Reberk/Rebekah Lorraine
Reigstad/Gia-Hue
Richardson/Leah Marie
Richer/Nathan Eliot
Riley/Erin Rebecca
Roesch/Beth Ann
Ronzheimer/Heather Renee



Ruge/Michelle Lynn
Salvevold/Timothy Lowell
Sandmeyer/Jennifer Ann
Sass/Michelle Lynn
Sauls/Jennifer Howe
Sautner/Natalie Ann
Schelling/Marsha Beth



Schultz/Lisa E Eller
Scott/Jenny Elizabeth
Seibel/Shanel Larissa
Severud/Kristin Erin
Shaver/Emily Merrill
Shess/Gwen
Shilts/Matt Ryan



OFF TO CLASS Sophomore Lee Walters rides his bike near Nazareth Hall and The Totino Fine Arts Center in early September. Judging by the overly filled bike racks, biking continues to be a popular sport and means of transportation. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)

ON THE ROAD AGAIN Sophomore James Nelson and freshman Josh Mulvihill stop and chat with freshman Nathan Levisay at the loop in front of The Totino Fine Arts Center. Driving is the most popular way for students to get off-campus and enjoy the cities. (Photo by Tricia Gibson)





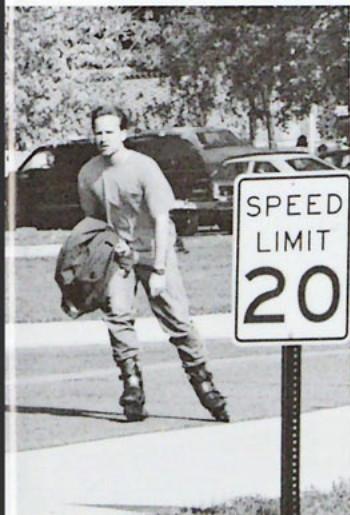
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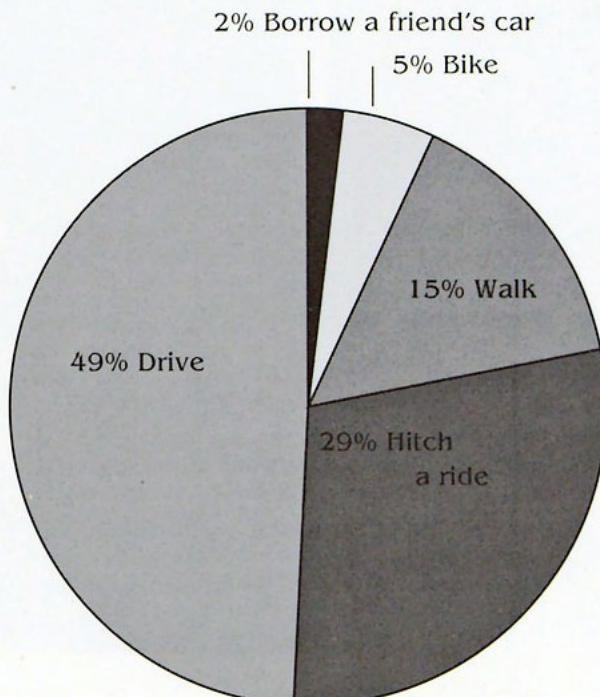
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Thurber/Alicia Gayle
Tjossem/Jennifer Marie
Toews/Laurie Jean
Tomczyk/Gosia K
Tonneson/Jill Elizabeth

Turner/Krista Jan *Kaytie*
Ulferts/Amy L
Utzat/Elizabeth
Vanningen/Justin David
Vaughn/John
Velner/Fawnda Joy
Verley/Michelle M King



ON A ROLL On his way back from Nazareth Hall early fall quarter, Scott Alexander enjoys his own means of transportation. Students found rollerblading to be an immensely enjoyable experience and a great way to exercise. (Photo by Dale Lewis.)



The word...

MOBILITY

Stats on how
sophomores
get around

Vincent/Nathan William
Vrieze/Andrew Theodore
Wagner/Megan Marie
Walberg/Jamie Colleen
Walker/Jessica Jo
Walkley/Lisa Marie
Walter/Jennifer Ann



Weavers/Anne Marie
Weber/Tessa Marie
Weberg/Bethany Jean
Weideman/Laurie Esther
Weldt/Richard Joseph
Westendorf/Natalie Anna
Wickman/Clint Randy

Wiese/Aaron
Wohlhuter/Brian Jonathan
Wolleat/Melody Joy
Zeiszler/Tricia Donn
Zimmerman/Christian Andrew

Not Pictured

Beeken/Nathanael Wayne
Biehn/Christian Joseph
Bocken/Monte Lynn
Burkard/Jay Michael
Carlson/Andrea Lynn
Carlson/Deborah L
Christiansen/Mycah E
Davis/Thomas Glenn
Dewaard/Timothy Ray
Driscoll/Michael Seth
Duenow/Tonya Renae
Engen/Jessica Amber

Evans/Jason Sidney
Gilberts/Jennifer
Guedel/Brenda Gail
Haege/Melisa Joy
Hegner/Joan Rachel
Heppner/Elizabeth Lynn
Hess/Gwen Janel
Johnson/Andrea M
King/Chad Christopher
Koehn/Adam Jay
Kotschevar/Beth
Kroontje/Robert Paul

Levander/Joseph Arvo
Lindstrom/Tina Suzanne
Mahler/Erin Lynn
Marko/Amy Joy
McConnell/Amy Ann
McBain/Jack Donald
Mills/Craig W
Moore/Kory Andrew
Mounts/Lisa Marie
Nakata/Melissa Ann
Nathan/Timothy Mark
Nuest/Cory J

Oseid/Daniel Jonathan
Ott/Rebekkah Carole
Owata/Jeffrey Scott
Pederson/Elizabeth Lee
Pedlar/Lynnette Marie
Peterson/Cheyenne
Peterson/Ronna Marie
Quick/David Mathew
Rehorst/John Christopher
Scheithauer/Craig Michael
Sokola Jr/Mark Gregory
Solem/Roseanna Marie

Sprecher/Joe David
Stumpf/Jeanna Marie
Thayer/Gail Lavay
Tindall/Jeremy Lawrence
Viland/Angela Charlotte
Waltner/Lee Alan
Wiens/Aaron Matthew
Wiese/Jennifer Lynn
Wilson/Travis Lee
Young/Timothy Glendon



MM-MM GOOD! Enjoying cotton candy at B-B-Q & Fun, Mandy Bolton and Bethany Theobald take tickets for each activity for an hourly give-away. "I thought it was cool to see the variety of new faces, and it made me glad to be a sophomore," commented Theobald. (Photo by Student Development)

POP POP POP... Abby Engbrecht and Tricia Gibson pop popcorn outside Maranatha Hall during orientation weekend. Snacks were provided by Student Development for those participating in activities such as sumo wrestling, velcro jumping, mini-golf and a variety of other carnival games. (Photo by Development)



Freshman status equals crowded rooms, late nights, lots of new friends

For many people, their freshman year in college was an exciting new adventure away from home yet filled with a mixture of different emotions.

Being a freshman had a variety of different components. All freshman were to adhere to curfew for their first quarter until they were able to meet the required GPA, they had to take Freshman Seminar and they were part of the largest

"Over all, NWC has been everything that I expected it to be. I love the people here because they are so honest."

—Hannah Holden

class ever enrolled in the college's history.

Because of the large enrollment, many students living in Haritill or Knutson halls needed to squeeze four people into a room rather than the typical three, but most freshmen agreed that the inconveniences worked out for good by becoming good friends with their roommates..



Aberle/Josh Michael
Ackert/Michelle Lynn
Alen/Charity Elizabeth
Alen/Mark Keith
Anderson/Carlie Elaine
Anderson/Katherine Suzanne
Anderson/Kelly Marie

Anderson/Kirsten Jo
Anderson/Sarah Jean
Anderson/Tim Lee
Anderson/Toni Ann
Audet/Sara Jane
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Brandt/Megan Joyce
Bright/Ryan Paul
Buck/Annie
Buckley/Jennifer Anne
Buss/Nicole Stacy
Butler/Jonathan Thomas
Butz/Jason Dean



Freshmen
are full of
anxieties as
they head
to college

What's that you SAY?

My most embarrassing moment at NWC has been when...

"My friends put a paper on the windshield of my car which said that I was fined \$25 for parking illegally and next time I would be towed. I attempted to pay for it by talking to Campus Security. Security didn't recognize it, and at that moment I realized it was a prank."

Susie Knizenbaw

"I was reaching out to get my books because I was late to class when my shirt hit a cup of pop, and it spilled all over my pants. I had just gotten up from a table full of girls. It looked like I had wet my pants."

Sean Williamson

"I walked into my dorm, and my two roommates were there. I started doing my homework. One of my roomies kept banging on the window through the blinds. An hour passed by and I noticed something on the window through the blinds. I got up and found a piece of paper with my name, number and the word 'available.'"

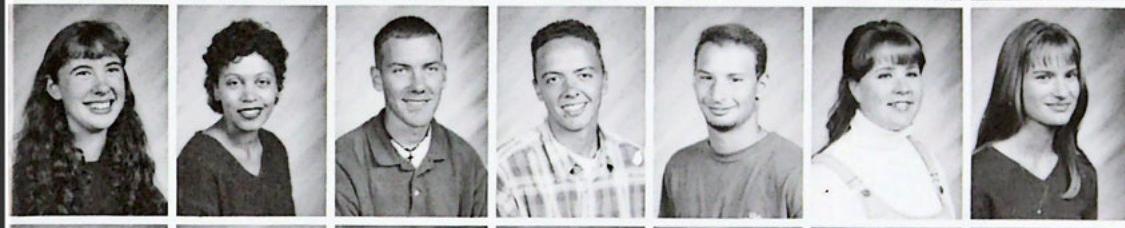
Heidi Black



SPIRIT Freshmen participated in the annual Homecoming parade with a spirit float. Freshmen Nicole Buss and Mailee Lee showed spirit by wearing borrowed jerseys and painted faces (Photo by Tricia Gibson.)



DePrez/Douglas D
Dodds/Rebecca Sarah
Dodge/Dayton Charles
Dowden/Marli Ann
Drummond/Rhiannon Maria
Ek/Joshua John
Ekerholm/Britt Erica



Eppright/Carey Beth
Erickson/Kathryn Ann
Erickson/Kristofor Joel
Ernst/Jori Frank
Ewert/Matthew Raymond
Fair/Jenna R
Fenno/Becca Danielle



Fiedler/Jack Michael
Fike/Kelley Anne
Fish/Colleen Kay
Fisher/Britany Dawnleah
Fisher/James S
Fisher/Nicole Joanne
Flint/Sarah Danielle



Folkmann/Jason Robert
Fox/Thomas Charles
Frahm/Cynthia Leigh
Gardner/Sara Janelle
George/Rebecca Christina
Gibbs/James Michael
Gibson/Gabriel William



Godt/Krista Elizabeth
Goodenow/Marshall Calvin
Gordon/Brian Charles
Grabau/Tanya Marie
Greenwalt/Nathan Paul
Grell/Zachary Arthur
Griffith/Edward Philip



TOGETHER Making friends is on the mind of every freshman as they begin their college life. Freshmen Charity Alen and Richard Weldt use the walk back to the residences as an opportunity to get to know one another. (Photo by Jason Stoll)



MOVING IN Pulling onto campus for the first day of college can be stressful. Northwestern's returning students helped with parking directions on move-in day for Dacia Mcrone. (Photo by Dale Lewis)

Griffith/Rachel A
Gronberg/Sarah Lynn
Grose/Andrew Michael
Gullifer/Stephanie Michelle
Hagen/Danette Lynn
Hallstrom/Darcy Lyn
Hallstrom/Tracy Jean



Halverson/Holly Lyn
Hansen/Sarah Faith
Hanson/Matthew K
Harding/Eliza Jane
Harms/JS Isaac
Harris/Amanda Kay
Harthun/Caroline Rae



Haster/Mandy Rae
Haug/Sarah Lenore
Hawkins/Tiara Lea
Hedstrom/Brian James
Heikkila/Kimberly Elizabeth
Henderson/Andrew David
Hermstad/Joy Suzanne



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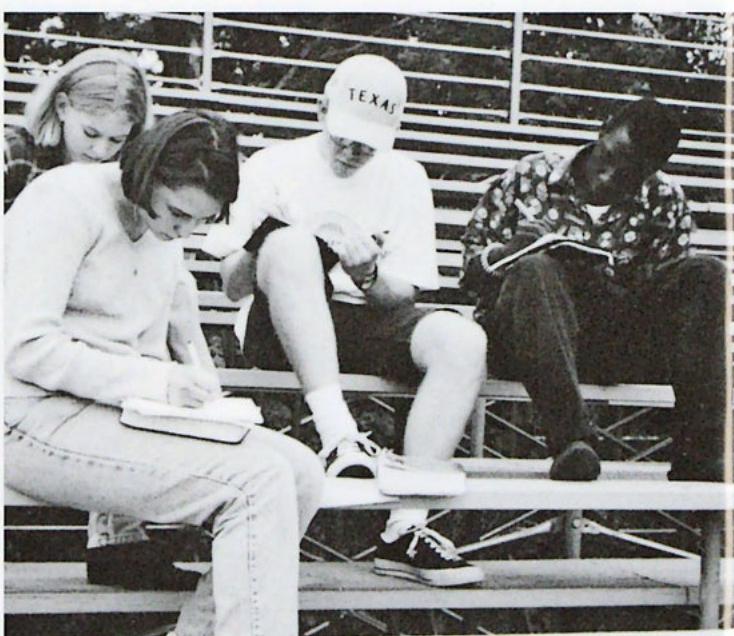


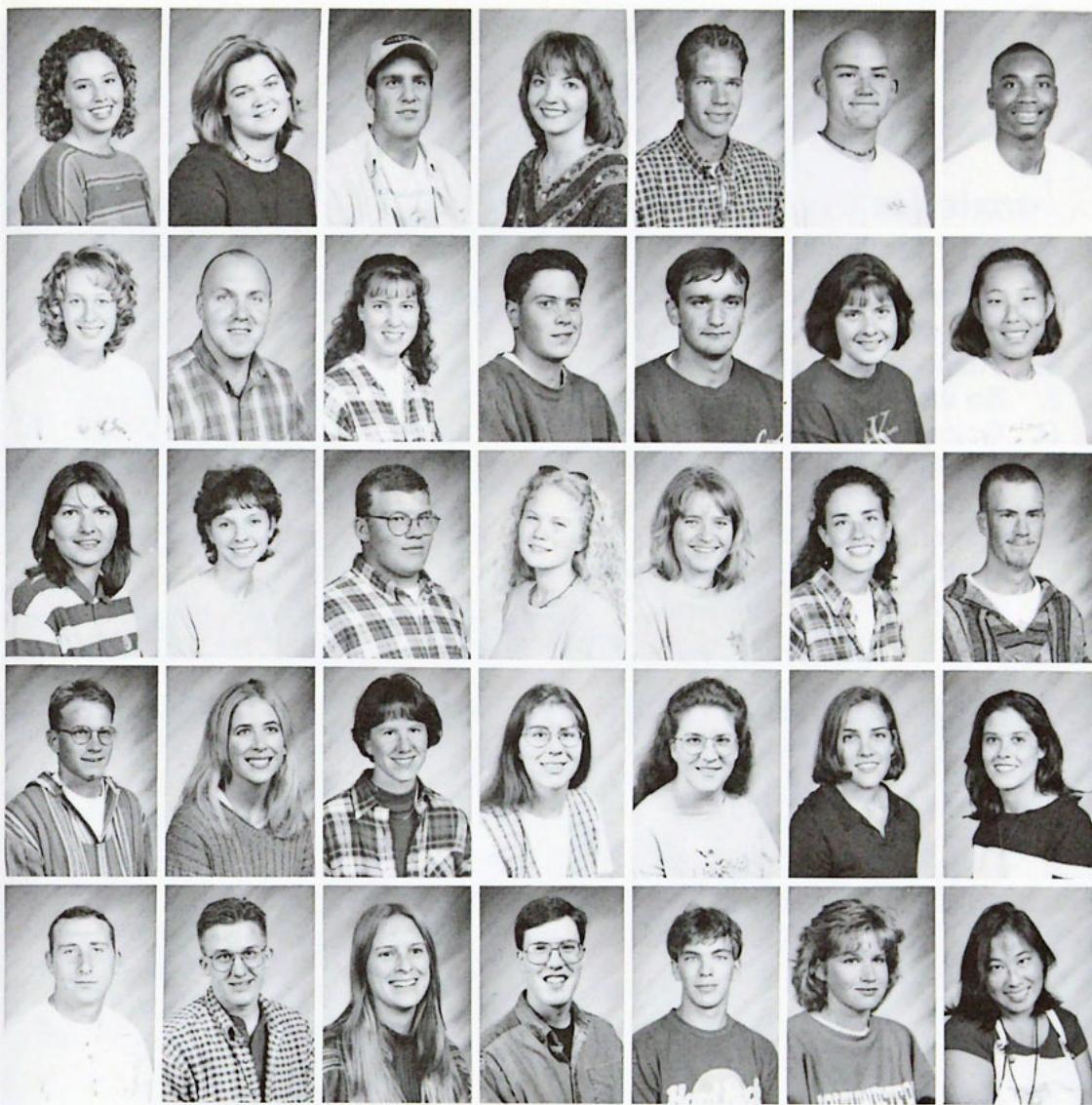
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Israelson/Joy Anna
Jacobson/Alyssa L
Jaeger/Christine Ann
Johnson/Alan D
Johnson/Andrew Whalen
Johnson/Bryan T



NEW FRIENDS Finding friends is important part of the adjustment to college life. During Orientation Weekend, lawn games and food were provided for new students to mingle and seek each other out. (Photo by Student Development)

BECOMING COMFORTABLE Getting acquainted with the NWC campus is an important part of the first weekend for the first year students. April Nagy, Jennifer Solem, Kepruto Yego and Mike Novak worked together finding out about different departments and their locations. (Photo by Student Development.)





Johnson/Katherine Anna
Johnson/Melissa Kay
Johnson/Samuel Aaron
Johnson/Staci Larae
Johnson/Zachary David
Jones/Jeremiah Matthew
Jones/Riccardo

Jorgensen/Kristi Dawn
Kasal/Christopher Albert
Kaupang/Jennifer Dawn
Kephart/Daniel Henry
Kern/Aaron Robert
Kinzenbaw/Susanne Nicole
Klein/Aimee Young Kwon

Klein/Karita Dawn
Klimowicz/Kelly Marie
Kobler/Robert Oskar
Koehler/Heather Marie
Koehnen/Jasmine
Koons/Angela Marie
Kordatzky/Christopher J

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Lambert/Cade Macy
Landvik/Adam Noah
Larson/Natalie Joy
Lau/Benjamin
LaBelle/Matthew Norman
Leander/Allison Carol
Lee/Mailee Maria

QUIZ

1. How many guys and girls make up the freshmen class?
2. How many different countries are represented in the student body this year?
3. How many freshmen were involved with football?
4. How many freshmen commuters are there?
5. How many freshmen were enrolled in a physical education class for fall quarter?
6. How many freshmen have decided upon a major?
7. How many freshmen participated in the fall musical?
8. How many students have permits to park their cars on campus?
9. How many rooms have four people in them?
10. How many freshmen are members of Symphonic Band?

Answers

1. 174 guys, 297 women 2. 18 3. 35 to 40 4. 18 5. 74 6. 379 7. 10 8. 2,253 9. 55 10. 22

Getting
aquainted
with
college life



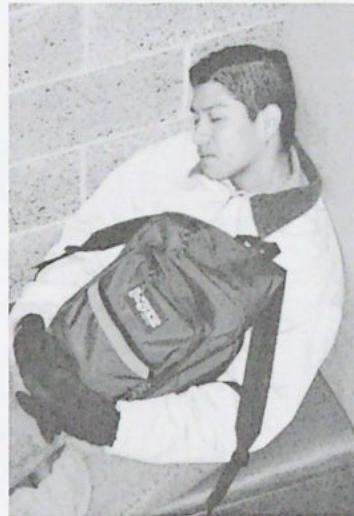
JUMPING IN The beginning of college life can be new and exciting. Tim Daniels showed off his sense of adventure by participating in Sumo Wrestling, one of the events offered at the freshman orientation picnic social. (Photo by Student Development.)

Being a
freshman
brings new
responsibilities

Top Ten anxieties about entering college

- 10. Other people seeing or doing my laundry**
- 9. Not getting a significant other**
- 8. Moving away from home**
- 7. No worries**
- 6. Going into debt**
- 5. Getting lost on campus**
- 4. Gaining the "freshman 15."**
- 3. Handling classes**
- 2. Getting along with roommates**
- 1. Meeting new people**

SNOOZING Sleeping is a favorite activity for most students on campus. Freshman Jose Camacho caught up on sleep in between classes. (Photo by Tricia Gibson.)



Lee/MiSun
Lewis/Erin Rebecca
Lindberg/Rebecca Suzanne
Long/Erin Christine
Luebeck/Jennifer Marie
Lund/Melissa Kay
Macvey/Mark James



Madison/Jeremy Paul
Maier/Jennifer Ruth
Maldonado/Diana Betty
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McHone/Dacia Ann
Meikle/Sally Jean
Mercier/Rebecca Ruth
Merryman/Jami Sue
Miller/Maria Elizabeth
Modean/Naomi Ruth
Moline/Shannon Rebecca



Montzka/Naomi Joy
Moran/Andrea Christine
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Moser/Laura Beth
Mueller/Derek D
Mulvihill/Joshua Robert
Munns/ Elizabeth Ann



Murphy/Rachel Rose
Murray/Angela Marie
Nagy/April Lynne
Nelson/Lisa Beth
Neuendorf/Christina Joy
Nydegger/Bryan D
Oakland/Janay Ruth





SURVEYING IT Part of Freshman Seminar includes filling out a library survey. Rebekah Williams worked on one with her sister, Beth Williams, who was visiting campus for the day. (Photo by Jason Stoll)



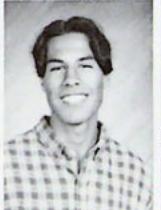
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Post/Heidi Lynn
Pratt/Emily Paula
Prins/Erika D



Probst/Emilie Kathleen
Pucker/Jason Ryan
Quinn/Taylor Curtis
Ramirez/David Allen
Ranweiler/Ryan Charles
Rasmussen/Trevor R
Redlin/Heather Noel



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Schmoll/Jeffrey Allen
Schroeder/Erin Elizabeth



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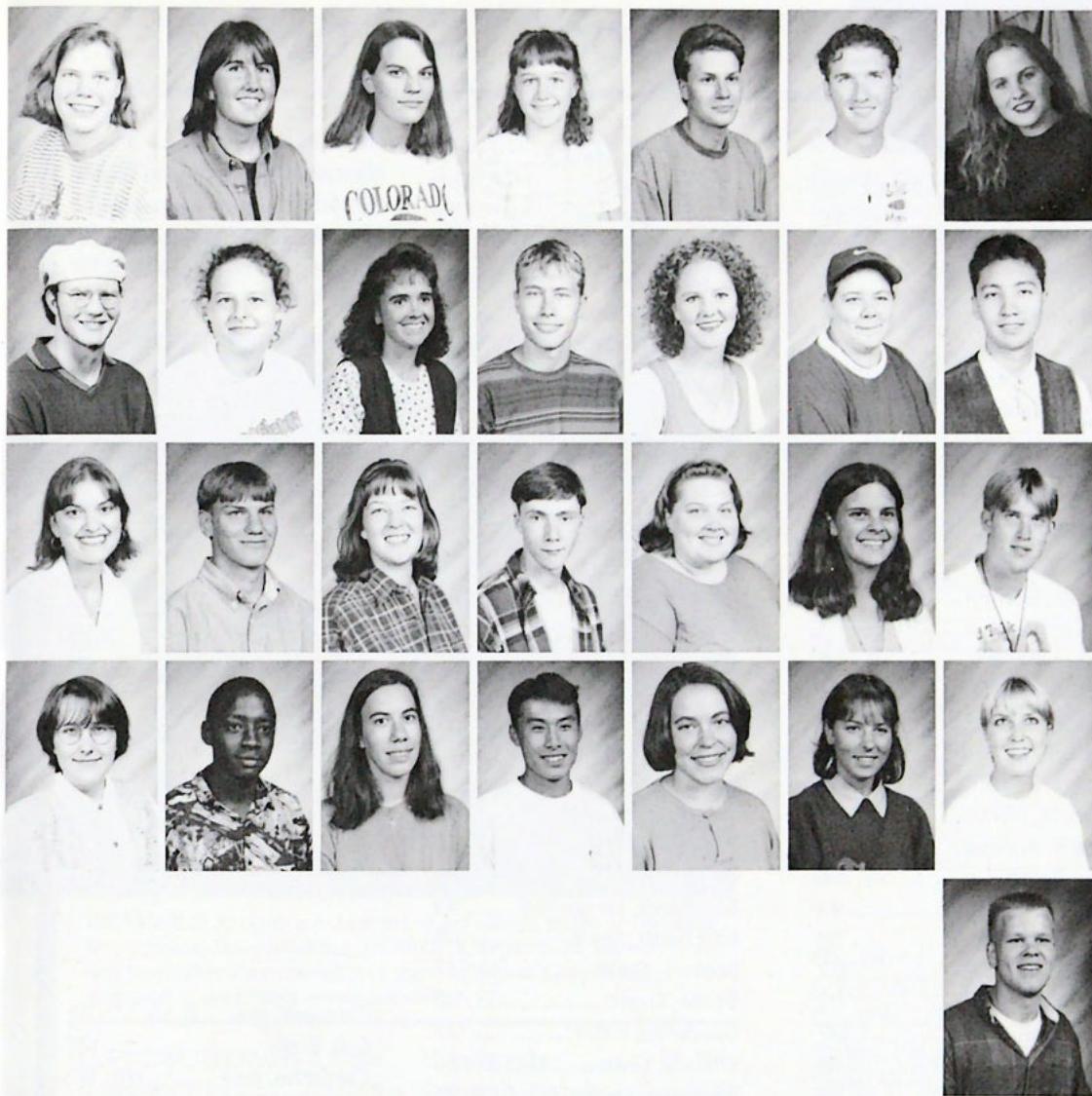


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Williamson/Sean Dustin

Wysocki/Christine Marie
Yego/Kipruto Koech
Yetman/Susan Marie
Yim/Sze Wang
Young/Jennifer Dale
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Zahasky/Sara Ann

Zeidler/Greggory Adam

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Blanchard/Ryan Joseph
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Crabtree/Emily Ann
Craven/Todd Richard
Dailey/John Christian
Daniels/Timothy Vernon
Deadrick/Brett Allen
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Dykstra/Stephen John
Elfstrum/Derita
Enlund/Jesse Alan
Fearing/Ryan Shawn
Folkmann/Erich Andrew
Forsberg/Nathan Allen
Forsen/Amy Christine

Gallagher/John William
Ganz/Nicole Renee
Hansel/Jonathan Russel
Heglund/Erika Rae
Hesse/Daniel Alan
Hopper/Benjamin Ray
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Patten/Jacob Lee
Priest/Michael Edwin
Ray/David Michael
Read/Joshua Gray
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CATCHING ZZZ'S After a hard day of classes, Emily Shaver and Kendra Prunty stop for a quick power nap outside Nazareth Chapel. Second floor Naz couches often served as part-time beds for the exhausted and weary.



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- A. A type of brain disorder characterized by excessive talkativeness;
- B. A condition that sets in after you simply cannot get logged in on the computers in the Nazareth computer lab;
- C. The fanaticism of the Paul Bunyan legend.

A is the correct answer.



A TIME TO PRAY Starting the school year on a positive note, students gathered outside the Totino Fine Arts building for a good old fashioned prayer meeting. This outdoor chapel has become a first-week college tradition.

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President Bill Clinton and Vice President Al Gore maintained a strong lead in the polls during their campaign for four more years in the White House. Their platform featured a strong economy and a lower crime rate.



The Canadian performer, Celine Dion, had the good fortune of taking two movie songs -- "Beauty and the Beast" and "Because You Love Me" to the top of the charts. Her latest release, "Falling Into You" was a runaway hit.



Kerri Strug made the clinching vault for the U.S. women's gymnastic team on a bad ankle. She became an Olympic heroine the instant she landed. Her coach, Bela Karolyi, carried her to the stand to be awarded the gold.

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TWA Flight 800 exploded in midair and plunged into the Atlantic ocean off the coast of Long Island, N.Y., just minutes after taking off from Kennedy Airport. All 230 people on the Boeing 747 were killed.



The 53-year-old shuttle astronaut veteran, Shannon Lucid, set the women's record for 188 consecutive days in orbit. Since 1995, she has amassed 223 days in orbit making her America's most experienced astronaut.



Pledging to continue the reforms he began five years ago, Boris Yeltsin was re-elected President of Russia. However, the 65-year-old president began to immediately show signs of severe heart problems which required open-heart surgery.

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CONTROVERSIAL CELEBRITY Following a fall chapel presentation, Tony Campolo sits on the stage to field questions. Elizabeth Campton and others wait to give him their addresses. They were interested in a possible missions experience with his son's inner-city ministry.

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- A. a rapper who rides a black stallion and loves scalloped potatoes;
- B. a new freshman trying to impress women with their musical talent;
- C. a rogue or scoundrel; a rascal.

C is the correct answer.

WAGGERY

- A. Playfully humorous behavior;
- B. A dog-like nervousness;
- C. A professor's excessive ramblings;
- D. Can you do that at this school?

A is the correct answer.

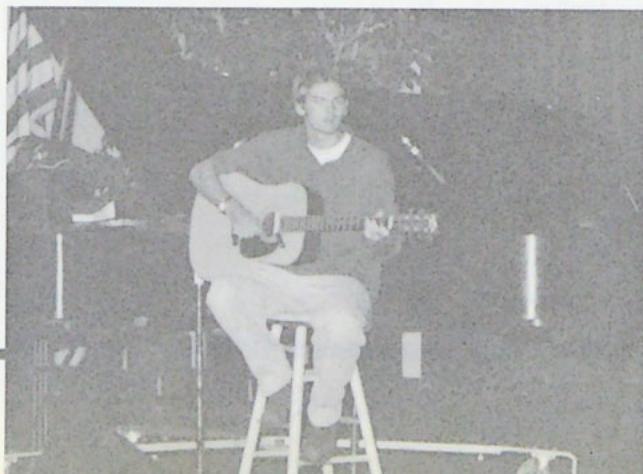
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-Gerard Manley Hopkins

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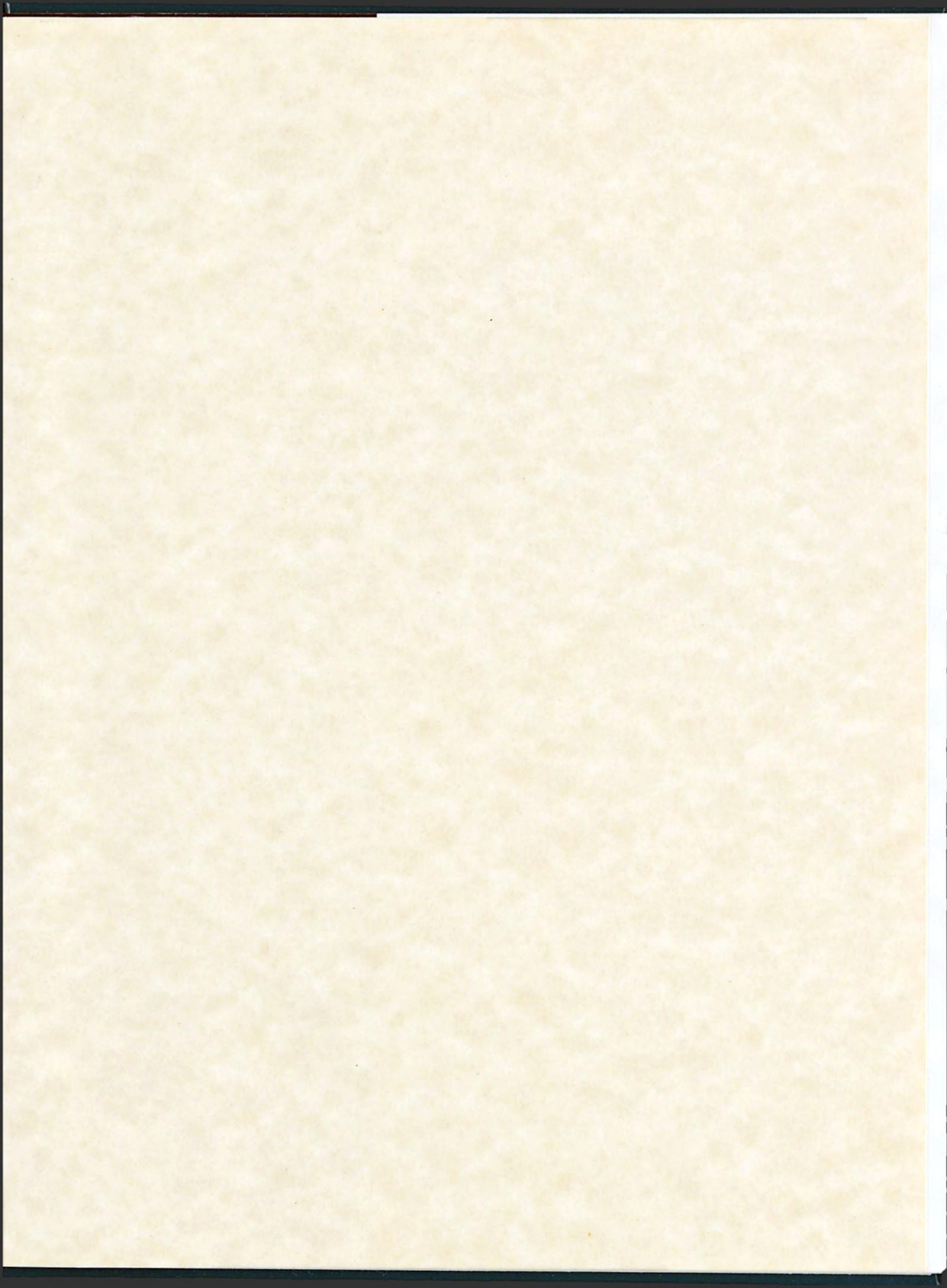
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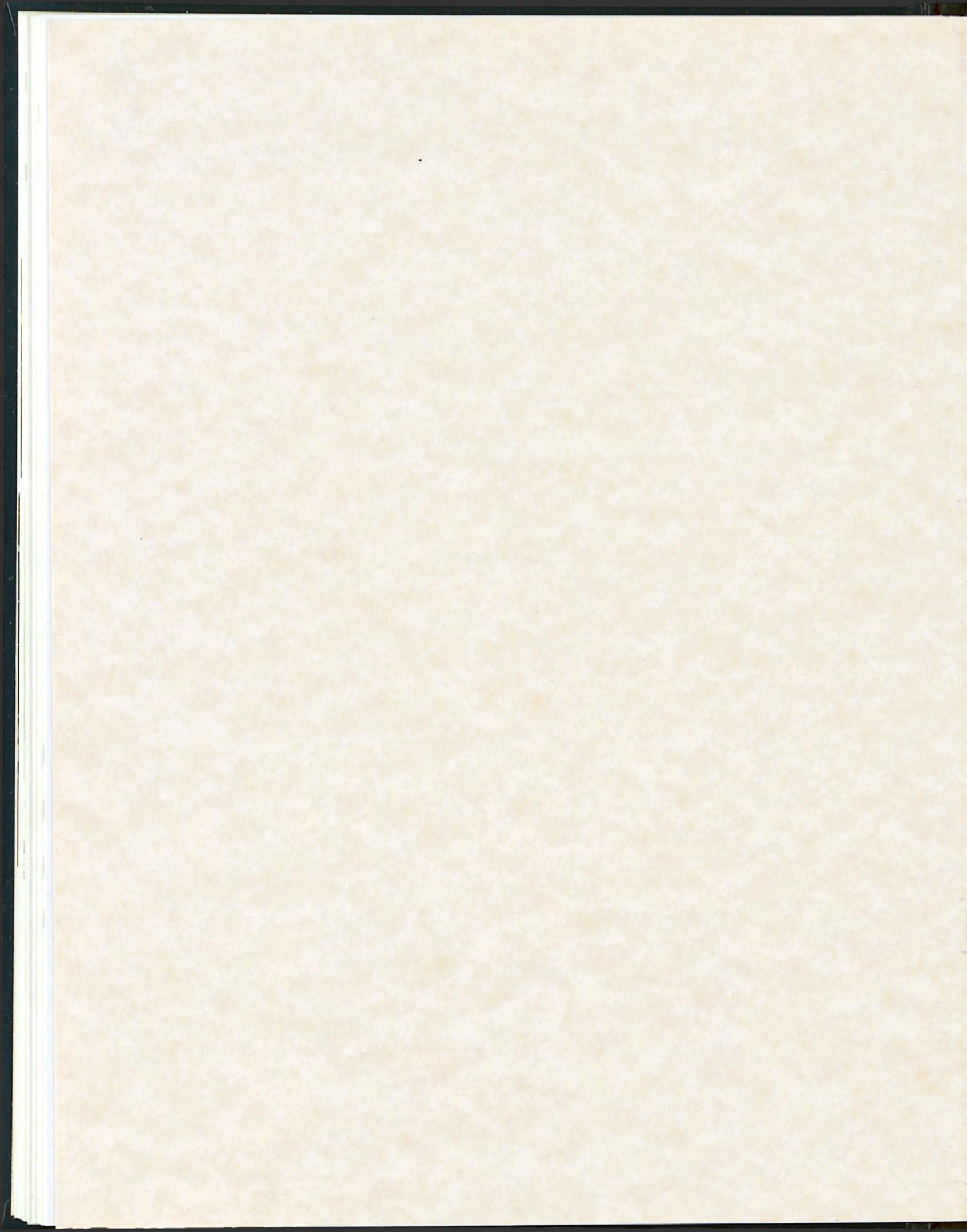
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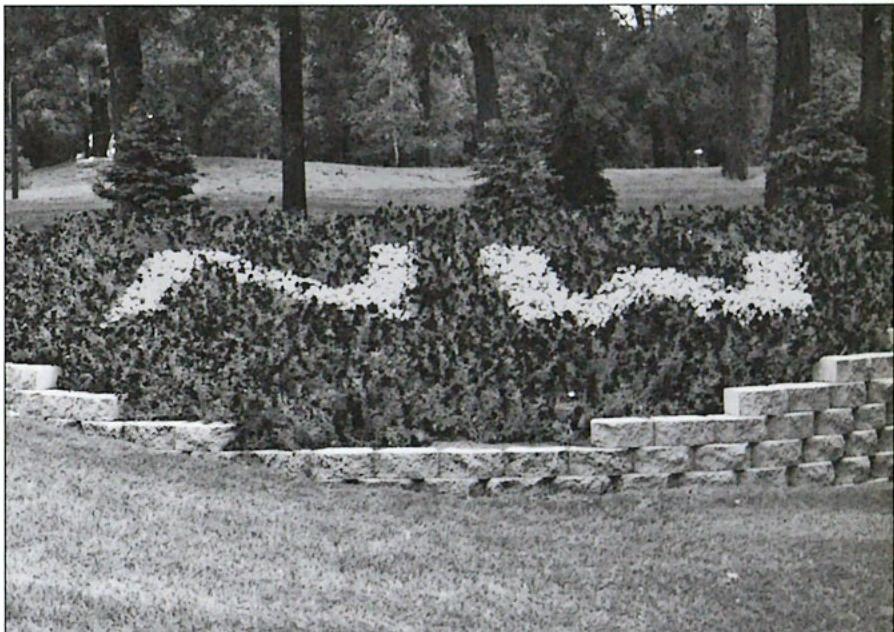
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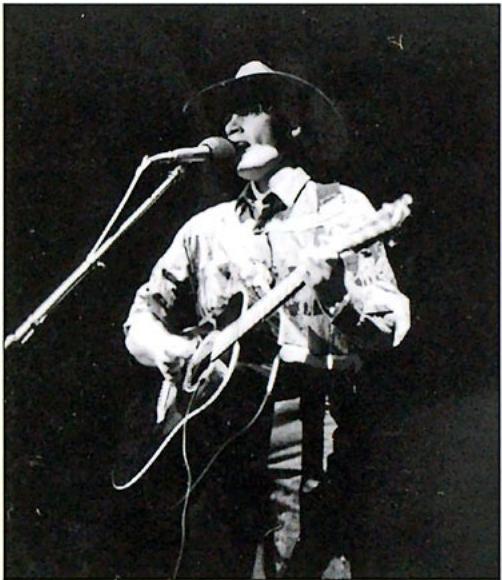


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SHOO DOOP DOOBY DOO ...

Jason Folkmann joined his fellow VoiceMale members in a serenade to the females in the audience. They performed an a cappella rendition of everyone's favorite, "In the Still of the Night."

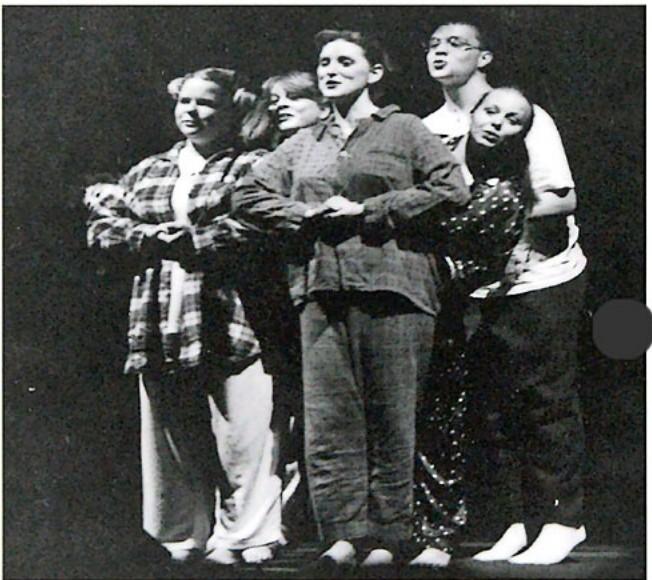


UP FRONT AND CENTER

Brent Stenzel, freshmen, added a bit of twang with a personal song, "Getting Over You." The wide variety of acts provided excellent entertainment.

GOOD NIGHT!

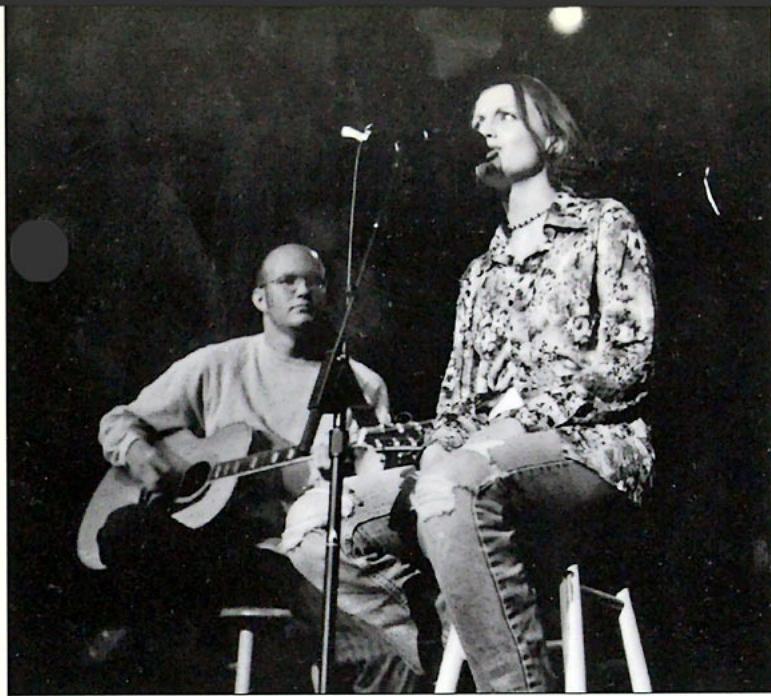
Angie Schrade, Mandie Bolton, Chris Krebsbach, Taylor Quinn and Mindy Peterson performed "So Long, Farewell," an oft-requested selection from "The Sound of Music."



SILENT, YET STRONG

Junior Matt Nelson amazed teary-eyed viewers with a solo mime to Petra's "It is Finished." His presentation was a powerful reminder of Christ's work on the cross.



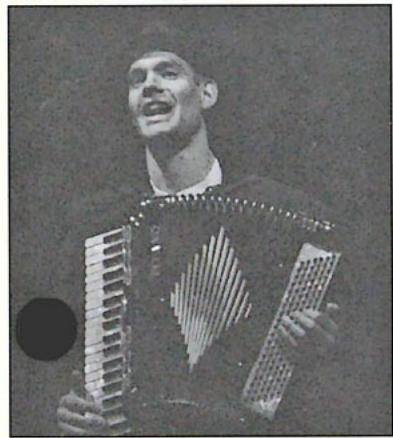
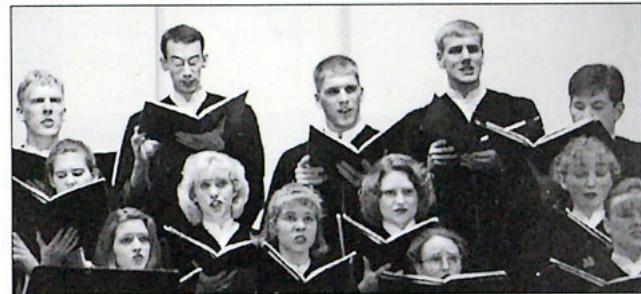


BEEN GONE

Jon Visser and Cerah Tymoshuk took a break from concerts and competitions to perform in the Spring Variety Show. They offered an original Jr. Citizen selection and took second place.

SERENADING SPRING

Members of the College Choir sang selections at their Homecoming Tour concert. They visited New England this over Spring break.



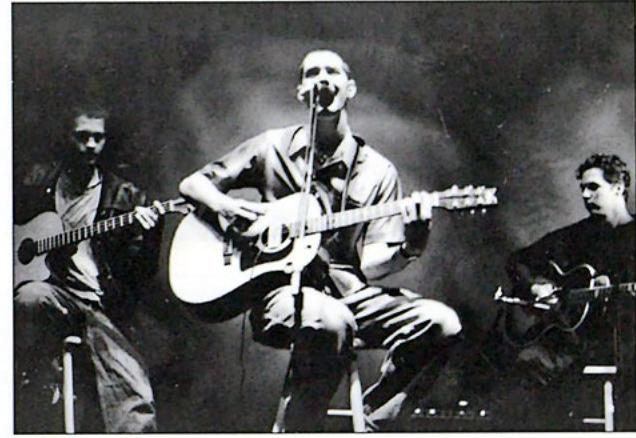
STRAIGHT FROM THE ALPS

"Johann" John Bradenburg took first place with an entertaing yodel accompanied by his accordian. He celebrated by graduating with a bachelor of science in graphic design.



SING OUT WITH JOY!

The College Choir ended a hectic year with their final spring concert. Other groups performing were the Chamber Orchestra, Women Chorale and Men's Chorus.



TALENTED TRIO

Matt Freed, Drew Johnson and Rich Redding engaged the audience in an acoustical set with "All Along the Watchtower."

It Ain't Over Till . . .

Usually it ain't over till the fat lady sings—or so we've been taught. In this case, it wasn't over until John "Johann" Bradenburg had yodeled his way to first place in the Spring Variety Show. A large selection of acts were featured from a brother/sister duo: alumni Josh and senior Andrea Porter, singing "One Heart" to a humorous video by freshman Kameron Bayne, shot around everyone's favorite gathering place, the Robertson Student Center.

However, the Variety Show wasn't the only musical event held this spring. A large number of concerts featured our various choral and instrumental groups. The

gorgeous Nazareth Chapel had many music lovers warming its seats. One of the Twin Cities' favorite wedding chapels, it hosted general student recitals as well as those with a personal signature such as senior Nathaniel Riley or junior Matt Wilson.

Members of Northwestern's close-knit community truly exercised their musical and dramatic talents during the spring. They were successfully rewarded too—whether it was a monetary prize at the Variety Show or a warm smile, applause and appreciation from a loved one during a recital.

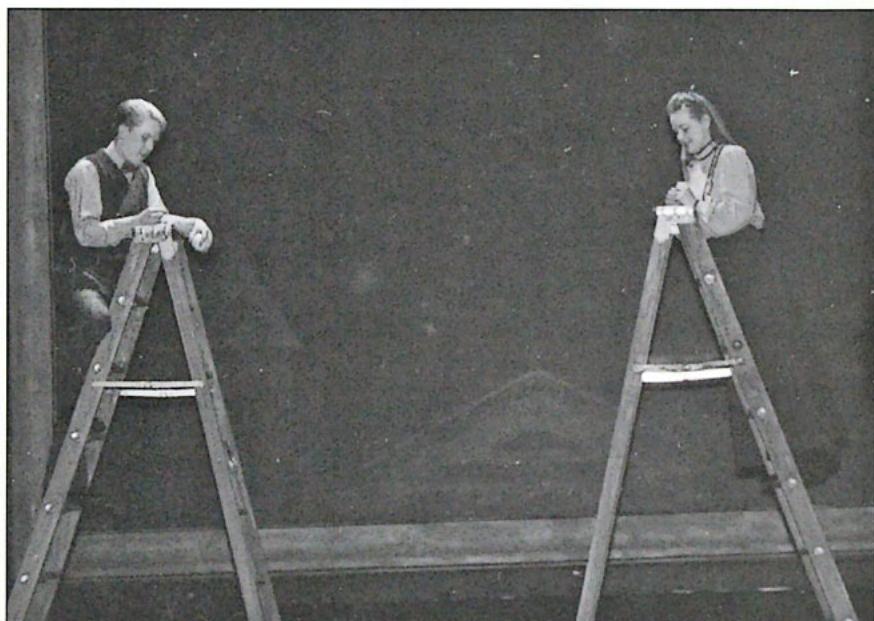
--Mandy Haster

Our Life, Our College, Our Drama . . . Our Town

MORE THAN TUTORING

As the moonlight hours passed by, Emily and George "did homework" in the windows of their next-door homes. Emily and George's relationship grew closer with each study session; going from neighbors to friends to husband and wife.

CHATTING AWAY
Interacting directly with the audience, Miss Willard the town librarian, explains the history of Grover's Corners. One could bet this talkative historian also knew that this was the third time "Our Town" had been performed at Northwestern, once in 1959, then in 1990, and now in 1997.



SOMETHING TO TALK ABOUT
These mothers, as they string beans, intently discussed the future. The future of Northwestern was also intertwined into the performance of "Our Town" since the play was dedicated to Dr. Erickson in the last year of his presidency.

'TIL DEATH DO US PART
Although unknowing of the future, George and Emily faithfully committed themselves to one another. Along with the excitement of marriage, the play also portrayed the "pre-wedding jitters" of the young couple.



MAKING A CONNECTION

Relating the play to the audience, the stage manager strolled casually in and out of the set giving advice and other tidbits of information to the crowd. "You've got to love life to have life" was a popular piece of advice he gave during the play.

HOLD ON!

On the left, Howie Newsome tried to control his "cow" as Dr. Gibbs stopped to visit with him during a typical day in "Our Town." Written by Thornton Wilder, "Our Town" was held on the Northwestern stage April 10-20, 1997.



A SOMBER LOOK

Without expression of any kind, the dead of Grover's Corners displayed their melancholy existence. Although the death in act three added separation to the play's theme of life stages, it also reminded the audience of the reuniting to take place in Heaven.

You've got to love life to have life!"
-Stage Manager



Stage Managers

Dr. Gibbs
Joe/Si Crowell
Howie Newsome
Mrs. Gibbs
Mrs. Webb
George Gibbs
Rebecca Gibbs
Wally Webb
Emily Webb
Miss Willard
Mr. Webb
Woman in Balcony
Woman in Audience
Townsperson
Simon Stimson
Mrs. Soames
Constable Warren
Martha Craig
Joe Stoddard

Erin Schroeder & Rob Brace
Ethan Blomquist
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Jenny Harrison
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Joseph Levander
Angela Schrade
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Stage Crew: Jenn James, Kera Latterell, Scott Evans, John Rehorst, Katie Murphy, Sean Larson, Joan Hegner and Natalie Larson

Men & Women's Track

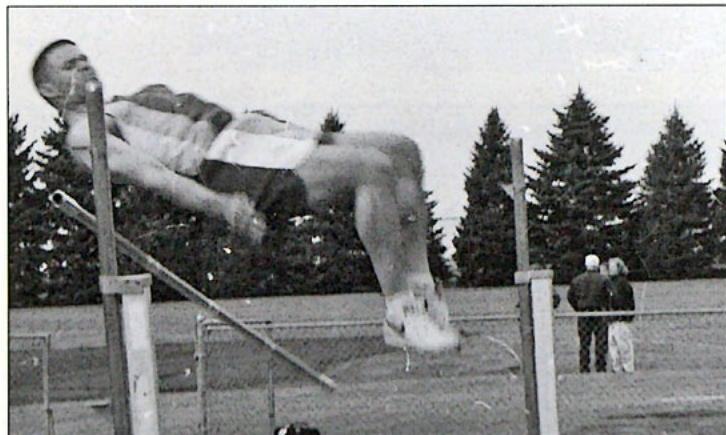
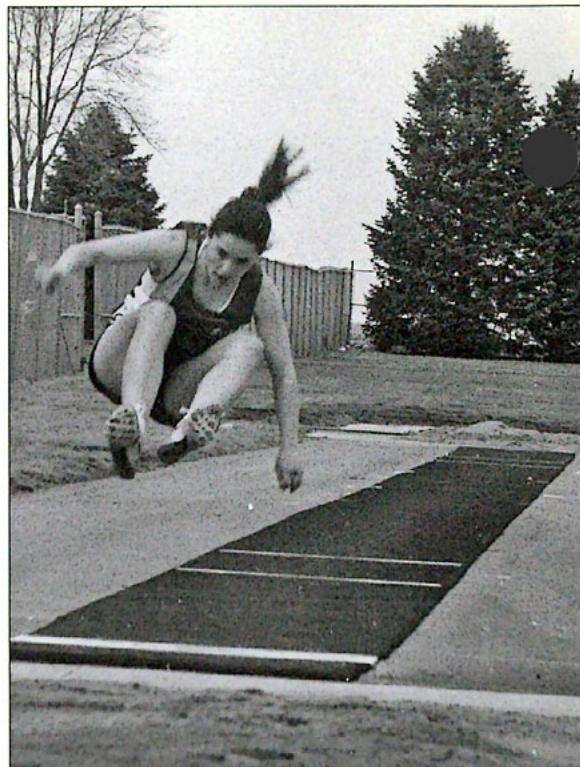
*The young and the rested
put forth their personal bests*

BLURRED REACTION

Defying gravity, junior Bryan Sawyer attempts to clear the metal bar in the high jump. Although disappointed with this effort, he really appreciated the young coaches spirit of encouragement. He eventually cleared the bar at 6'.

TO INFINITY AND BEYOND

Sonya Bugbee, with every ounce of physical strength, lunges forward into the sand pit below. Later on in the season, Sonya had a distance of 16'9" in the long jump to claim first place and qualify for the NCCAA nationals.



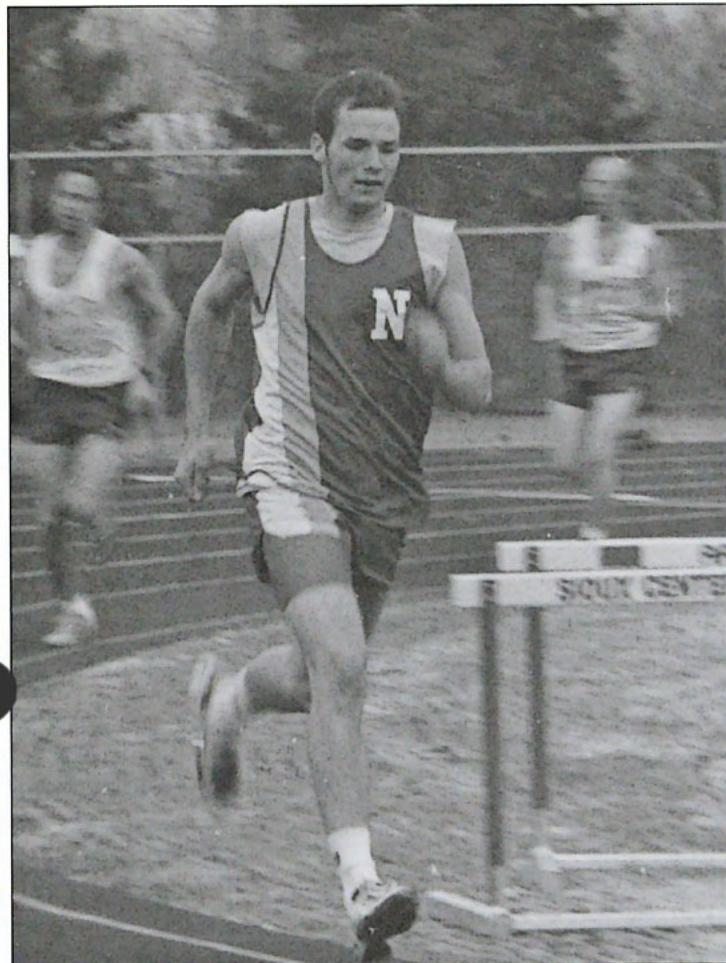
VETERAN LEADERSHIP Junior David Stanke was the men's track captain. "Everyone has a different mind set before he or she starts the competition. For myself, it is remembering my childhood running from place to place."



CLOSE COMRADERY Another aspect that made the team stronger was unity. Besides daily team devotions, teammates went off to pray in smaller groups. Beth McVey, Sonya Bugbee and Stephanie Knott huddled in prayer for their upcoming competition in the 4 X 100 meter women's relay.



THE RACE TO THE SWIFTEST With clear focus toward the finish line, Steve Dykstra competed in the 800 meter and 1500 meter individual races at most track meets. He was one of six freshmen who were joined by a new coaching staff led by Betsy Riess.



SPIRITUAL LEADERSHIP Molly Sunde, junior, was the women's track captain. She said this about the team, "One strength of team is being spiritually united; we have team devotions."

A BUNDLE OF ENERGY Freshman Cameron Weiss threw the javelin in a practice run prior to the actual event. He once threw the javelin a distance of 110'5". Cameron was one, according to teammates, who always had extra energy to share with the others.



1997 TRACK

BACK ROW: Coach Chrystal Albrecht, Coach Robert McCarthy, Joshua Philips, Alan Johnson, Timothy Daniels, Derek Johnson, Richard Johnson, Christian Zimmerman, Coach Aaron Riess, Coach Betsy Riess **MIDDLE ROW:** Sara Crenshaw, Molly Sunde, David Stanke, Tessa Weber, Steve Dykstra, Bryan Sawyer, Cameron Weiss, Natalie Sautner **FRONT ROW:** Stephanie Knott, Rebekah Ersland, Jared Wilson, Rebecca Dodds, Julia Nordvold, Sonya Bugbee, Beth McVey



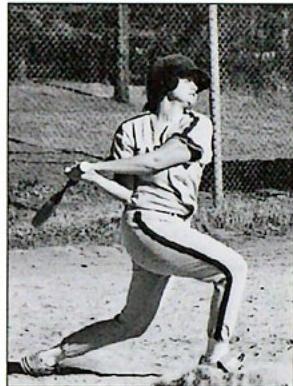
We came, we saw, we conquered

Lady Eagles chose to not give up during the season

SWING A HIT! Nikki Hebert stirs up the dust around homeplate with a powerful swing. She played first base, hit 7 homeruns and batted in 44 runs for the Lady Eagles.

MOUNT RUSHMORE? NO!! Zoie Glass, Nikki Hebert, Jennifer Emery, Tara Read try their hand at rock climbing. (or are they holding the rockup?) The Eagle softball spent some of their spring break seeing the sights of Arizona.

WARM FUZZIES ANYBODY?
Tara, Heather, Carissa, Nikki took a time-out in the dugout. Many close friendships grew as the team shared in devotions, practiced and played together as a team.



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2	Carleton	12	2
9	Carleton	12	8
0	Hamline	3	1
8	Hamline	13	2
2	St. Mary's	12	17
1	St. Mary's	13	8
0	Concordia	6	6
0	Concordia	20	4
18	Pillsbury	1	15
25	Pillsbury	10	15
13	Pillsbury	1	3
29	Pillsbury	5	8
15	Mt. Senario	17	10
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5	St. Scholastica	14	Martin Luther
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3	Bethel	14	North Hennepin

Season Record: 10-23

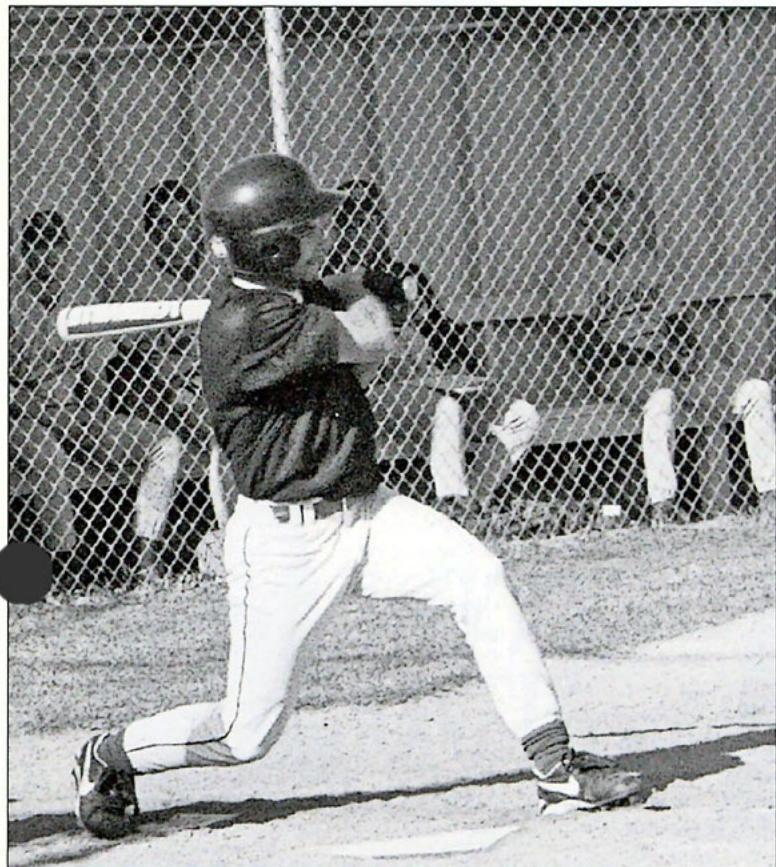


BACK ROW: Carissa Kraft, Jenny Emery, Nicole Hebert, Terra Read, Amy Berga, Tina Scaffer. **MIDDLE ROW:** Sharon Oxley, Jennifer Maier, coach Paul McNamee, coach Katie Smith, coach DelRoy Johnson, Zoie Glass, Rebecca Welch. **FRONT ROW:** Heather Nameth, Jennifer Bier, Corrina Pazurek, Jody Miller, Joy Hermstad.

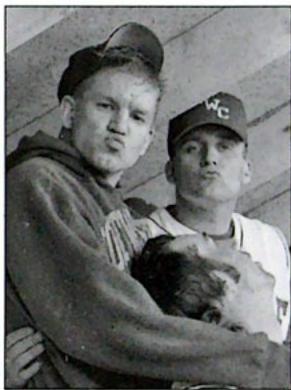
Take me out to the ballgame

Eagles enjoy an upswing after a rocky start

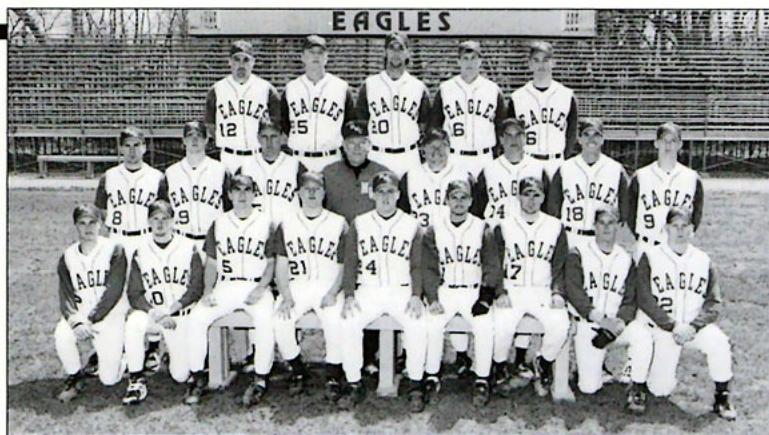
SWING BATTER SWING Junior outfielder, Brett Rhodes, takes a mighty swing at home against Hamline University. Brett lead the Eagles in the stolen bases department with nine swipes. This years baseball team finished with a 19-23 record.



KISS 'EM GOODBYE Seniors Chad Miller, Chris Bounds and Keith Anderson spend some quality time in the dugout. Chad won two and also saved two games as a pitcher. Chris, who played catcher, had the highest batting average at .450. Keith, first base, lead the team with 32 runs batted in.



BAYWATCH Getting a tan while impersonating lifeguards, Chris, Brett, Keith, Jake, Rich and Brad take a break from baseball. The Eagles baseball team spent spring break in Florida and combined work-outs, exhibition games and missions work.



BACK ROW: Craig Scheithauer, Matt Korst, Keith Anderson, Dan Larsen, Josh Owen. MIDDLE ROW: Mike Lauritzen, Derke Mueller, Mike Hepola, Ass't coach Dennis Schroeder, Head coach Dave Hieb, Josh Thurow, Mike Hendricks, Chris Clay. FRONT ROW: Rick Weldt, Brad Borchardt, Rich Ross, Andy Grose, Chris Bounds, Brett Rhodes, Brian Hedstrom, Jake Dodge, J.J. Peterson. NOT PICTURED: Ass't coach Erik Lovdahl, Greg Eigen, Chad Miller, Luke Keranen, Seth Thompson.

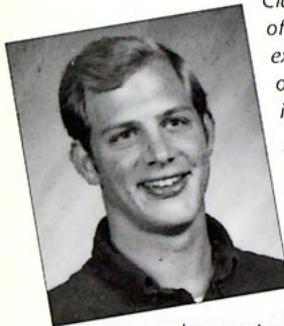
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1	Bethel	6	Peru State
5	Bethel	7	Bethel
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0	Crown	3	Macalaster
0	Crown	3	2
5	Martin Luther	2	
8	Martin Luther	0	
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2	Concordia	12	
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Season Record: 19-23
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For the people and by the people

NWSA Spring Elections mixes in both veterans and rookies

Justin Hosking President



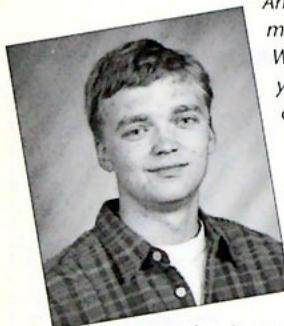
Claiming six years of lawn care experience and owning nine cars in the past five years, Justin is a 21-year-old pastoral studies major from Marquette, Michigan.

Justin hopes to be a senior pastor at a growing church someday. He ran because "I saw an opportunity to grow in my gifts and abilities; I enjoy serving people." He hopes to develop unity and strength in the student government, and equip others with leadership abilities and resources.

Zach Grell Vice President

Zach is an 18-year-old pastoral studies major, who hails from Birmingham, England, where his parents are missionaries. He says that the only foreign language he knows is English with a British accent! Zach ran for office so that he could offer his services to the Lord and the student body. "I hope to be able to encourage whomever I work with spiritually."

Eric Berglund Business Director



An accounting major from Poplar, Wisconsin, 21-year-old Eric hates cottage cheese and poetry. Eric hopes to work at a CPA firm someday and says he hopes to "maintain the budget so

that it can be used for the good of Northwestern."

Erin Mahler Communications Director

Erin is a 20-year-old English education major from San Diego, California. She enjoys hula dancing (yikes!) and watching plays. Erin's ability to speak a foreign language is found in

Hawaiian words, such as "ohana," which means family. Erin said she ran for office because "the role of communications director seemed to fit my abilities." Erin hopes to be creative and organized, as well as make a positive contribution to the student body and the Senate.

Amy Gelling Social Activities Director



Amy loves to travel, but you will not find her in China- she dislikes Chinese food! A 20-year-old cross-cultural ministries major from Andover, Minnesota, Amy ran because she thought "that this position

was perfect for me, because on my tenth grade report card it said I was overly social!"

Gianna French Social Activities Director

An avid Mickey Mouse collector, Gianna is a 20-year-old youth ministries major from Morris, Minnesota.

Gianna hopes to develop a sense of unity for the school and a sense of spirit.

"I love this school! We are brimming with so much potential!"

Tasha Perry Intracampus Ministries Coordinator



Just because she is from Cedar Rapids, Iowa, 21-year-old Tasha did not let that get in the way of her desire to "provide activities that all students can get involved with." Tasha is an art

education major who avoids asparagus and math!

Meg Carlson Student Outreach Coordinator

Descending from Richdale, California, Meg is a 19-year-old Christian education major. Meg hates mouse guts and she hopes to "build relationships based on Jesus Christ with students at Northwestern."



--Justine Lanktree

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Halfway to Heaven

Students give up their Spring Break to do missions

TICKETS TO HEAVEN! Freshman Tina Shaffer handed out tracks to school children during recess on a day spent in Mexico. While in Arizona the girls' softball team did indeed play softball, but the major focus was on missions, including time spent handing out tracts at two secular college campuses.

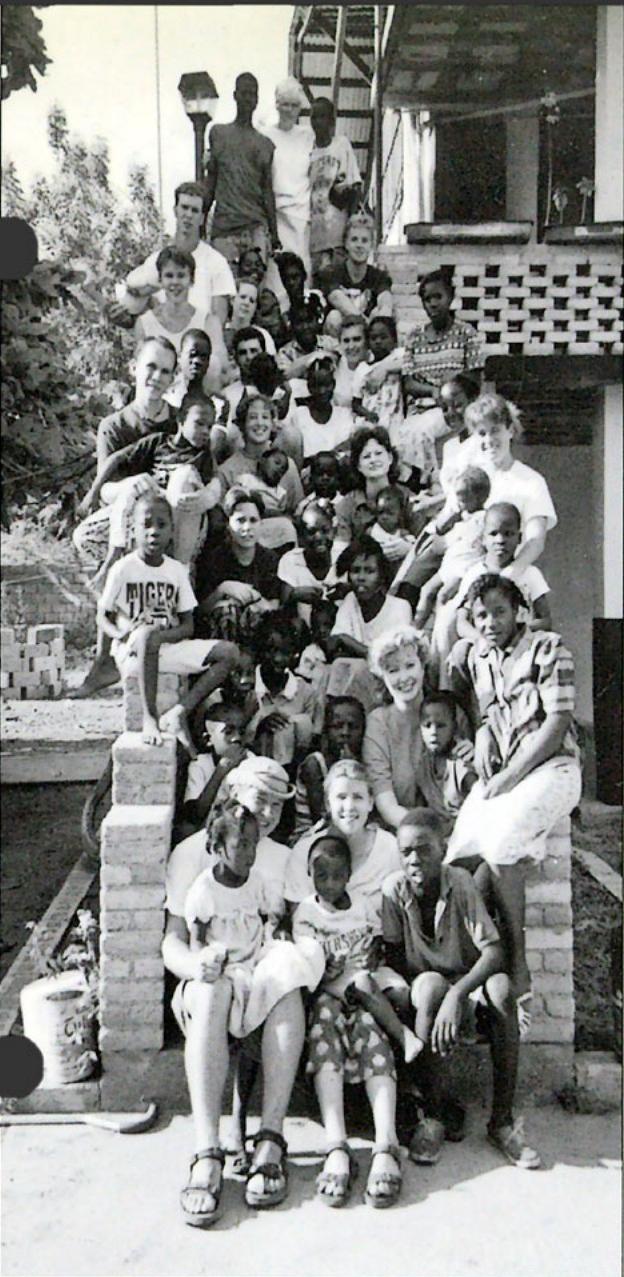
A RACE TO HEAVEN! Beth McVey and Julia Nordvold carry a branch to a nearby fire, helping clear up the brush at a Camp Wonderland. Other projects included a drama presentation for teenagers, splitting wood and painting. The team also spent a day working at a Salvation Army Center in Chicago cleaning, visiting with the homeless and serving in the food line.



TRAPPED IN HEAVEN! The Rio Bravo Mission Team posed for the last time before leaving the orphanage in Reynosa, Mexico. Besides working on several construction projects, the team played with the children, and held two ministry nights in a nearby neighborhood. Senior Chris Nathan returned with a new perspective on children: "Kids really aren't as scary as they [look]."

THE WAY TO HEAVEN! After a week of painting, staining, siding and wiring two houses in Mississippi, the Habitat for Humanity team prepared to load into their vans a final time. "I was amazed at the impact we had on the lives of the families whose homes we worked on. They were so thankful and appreciative of the work we had accomplished," explained freshman Jenny Reisdorfer.





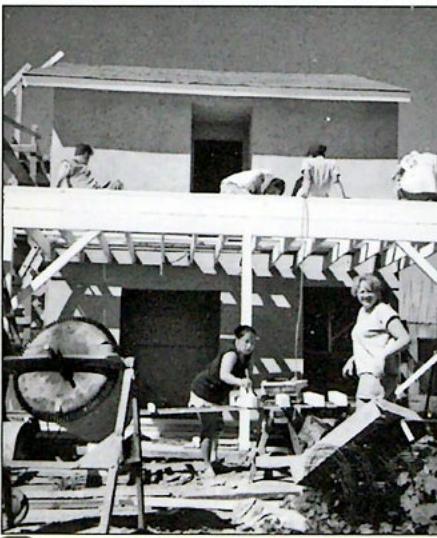
STAIRWAY TO HEAVEN! The Haiti Mission Team redug a well that had run dry, painted much of the orphanage and played with the children. Sophomore Jamie Walberg confided, "It was a life changing experience. I'll never be the same!"



GIVE A BIT O' HEAVEN! Freshman Kristin Swanberg painted a house for three World Impact missionaries in Fresno, California. Other ministries included a prayer walk, Bible Club, restoring a church and working in a homeless shelter. "I would say we all felt God's presence in our work, and also saw the need for inner-city work in our own country," claimed sophomore Andrea Nybo.



HEAVEN'S PLAYGROUND! Phil Hodges, Stacy Norman, Kristen Kropf and Janelle Dahl showed off their handy-work . . . the newly assembled playground. Working with World Impact, the San Diego team also cleared a basketball court and held Bible clubs. Sara Harder described most of the work as being a ministry to the present missionaries. She said "it gave them a week off."



VISIONS IN HEAVEN! The Ensenada, Mexico team busily constructed a dorm for other mission teams as one of the many service projects during the week. They also worked in an orphanage and held a Vacation Bible School at a farm labor camp. "I realized that when God sends us to do something, He will pave the way, and there is no stopping Him," explained junior Erica Olson.



COLORS OF HEAVEN! With a smile on his face, Israel helped senior Michelle Sklena paint a wall of his new home. Along with construction, the Matamoros, Mexico team held Vacation Bible school and participated in door-to-door evangelism.



NATURE OF HEAVEN! Jim Nelson, Ryan Menning, Erik Sjodin, Ed Dapra, Darin Glanzer and Leah M. Richardson relaxed after their day at Six Flags. The Oaks Team ministered at a camp for inner-city children near Los Angeles, CA. Their projects included clearing trails, painting and working on an amphitheater. "We got done in a week, what would take them months," explained sophomore Jim Nelson.

Record number of diplomas awarded

A new tradition: seniors hand Dr. Erickson a penny in exchange for their diploma



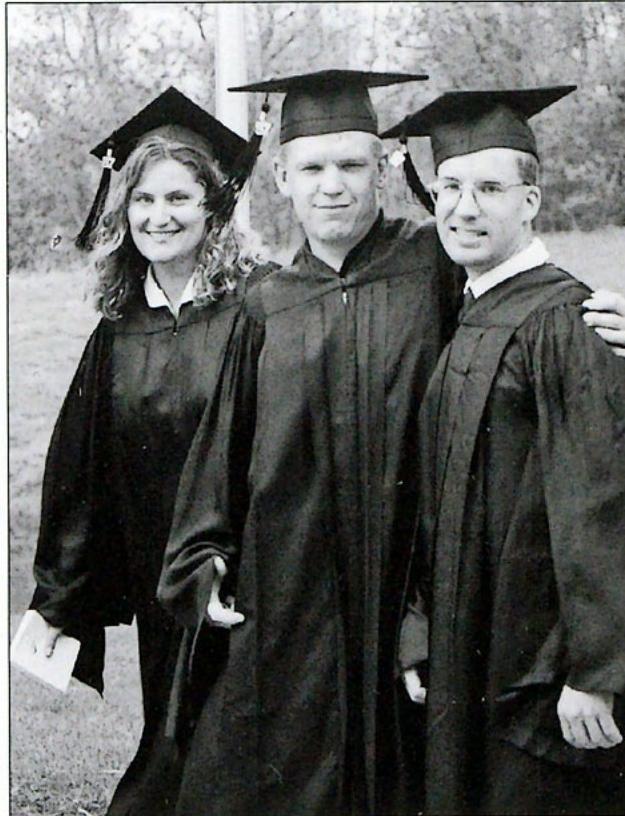
A CAPTIVE AUDIENCE

All 330 graduates, family and friends, packed into the Erickson Center for an afternoon of celebration. Video hookup to Maranatha Hall provided many others a glimpse into the ceremony. History graduates proved their loyalty to their mentors by using masking tape to convey the visible message, "Chuck & Clyde Rule" on the top of their mortarboards.



FOLLOW THE LEADER

'96 graduate Tim Innes lead the procession from the halls of Riley toward the graduation ceremony. Beside President Erickson was Haddon Robinson, Distinguished Professor of Preaching from Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary and the commencement speaker. He spoke on "Sheep, Goats and Sheepskins."



FRIENDS ARE FREND'S FOREVER

Having reached their goal of graduating and anticipating great opportunities, Joann Venhuizen, Chad Miller and Lucas Keranen posed for a photo before entering Erickson Center. All three were involved in athletics as students: Joann in basketball, Chad in football and baseball, Lucas in baseball.

Class Theme

Wisdom is knowing what to do next, skill is knowing how to do it, and virtue is doing it. —David Starr Jordan

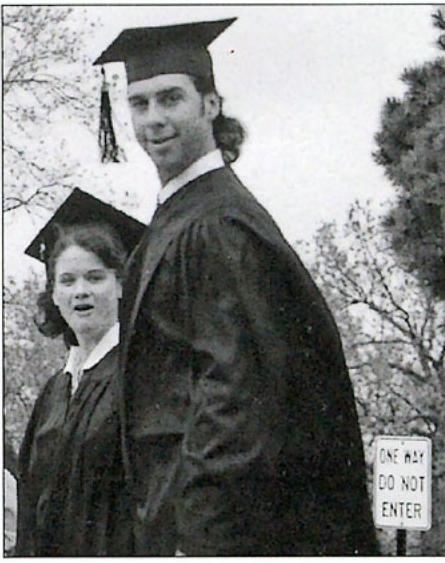
IT START WITHOUT US!

Waiting simultaneously, Heidi Tollefson and Sarah Larson look ready to get graduation over with as soon as possible. Both day school and Focus15 candidates found refuge in the Riley Gym prior to their walk to freedom.



YOU LOOKIN' AT US?

With disbelief written all over their faces, Ginger Adams and Keith Anderson scurried off to the ceremony. The continuous line of faculty and graduates halted late-coming traffic when they crossed to the other side.

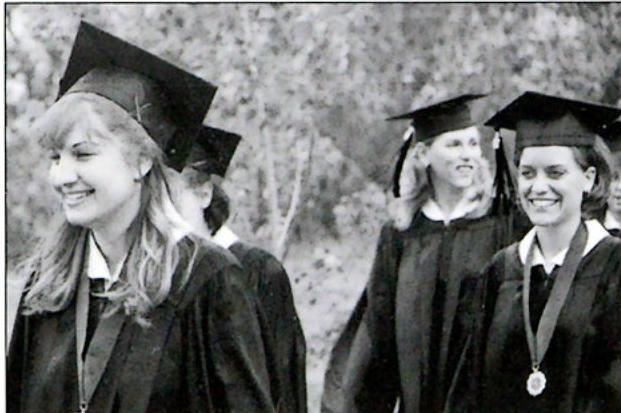


COUNT IT ALL JOY

(Above) Different emotions were experienced by the graduates and yet Wallace Hollen displayed the dominant one of joy. (Or is that relief?) Fellow graduates Jeremy Olson and Nathan Wald appear a little more serene than Mr. Hollen.

ALL SMILES

(Right) Members of Sigma Tau Delta, Stephanie Gehrls, Julie Radloff and Reese, smiled brightly as they made the Erickson Center to the strains of "Pomp and Circumstance." Each member of the academic honor society wore a ribbon with medal.



WISE WORDS TO GRADUATES

"We look forward to seeing how God will use you in your families, your workplaces, your churches, and your communities. We have great expectations for the class of 97!"

Dr. Simpson, Business

"Remember what commencement means. Learning is a lifelong pursuit. Read widely. Think critically. Speak wisely. Live fully. And remember that for all things you shall give an account to God."

Dr. Caneday, Bible

"Remember, God's will for your life is more a character description than a job description."

Dr. Huffman, Bible

"Don't forget to keep reading and studying about history!"

Dr. Aling, History

"Commencement means beginning; view this as the beginning of your lifetime educational journey."

Dr. Landrum, English

"Continue to focus on the fact that the Christian life is a process that is filled with a variety of experiences allowed of God to shape and mold you into the very likeness of Christ, so that His character is displayed in and through you to the world in which you live. Therefore, remember your Creator in the days of your youth, fear Him, and keep His commandments so that Christ becomes the center of your affections."

Dr. Martin,
Christian Ministries
and Teacher of the Year

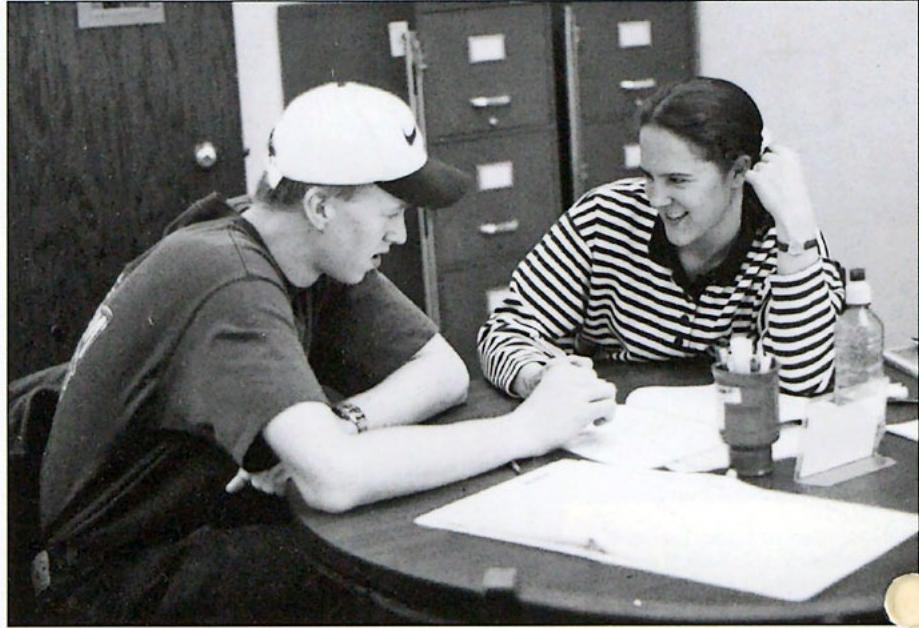
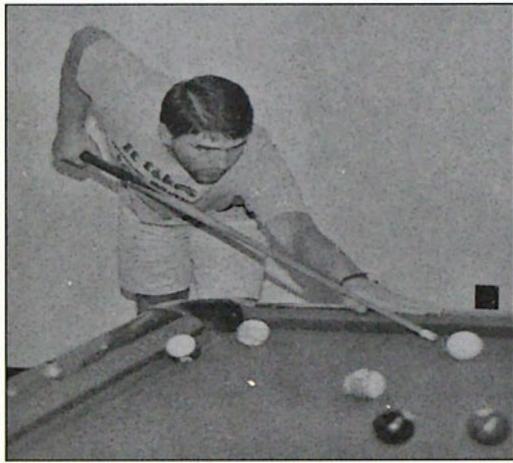
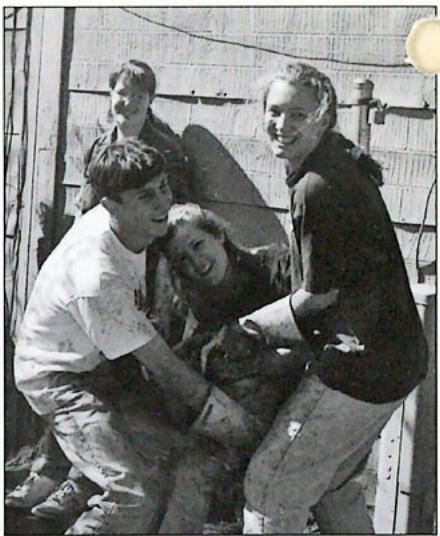
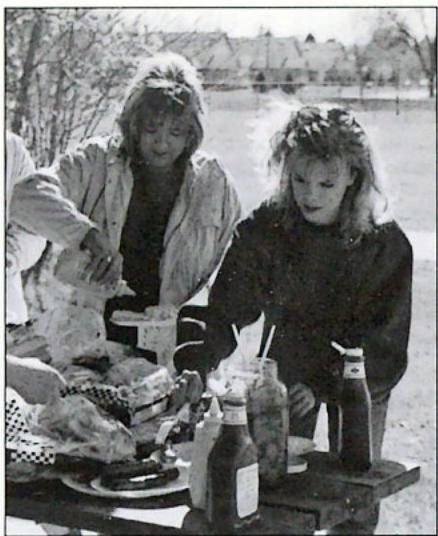
Final words on the year

FREE FOOD The senior picnic provided an opportunity for Kristine Hess and Sarah Larson to sample some grilled hot dogs and the fixin's as well as visit with friends. Volleyball and softball were also a part of the end-of-the-year get-together that included faculty and staff.

HEAVE HO! A full, wet sandbag required teamwork on the part of Mark Amon, Anita Leander and Colleen Fish. They were part of a group of students who helped de-sandbag a town that had been devastated by spring flooding.

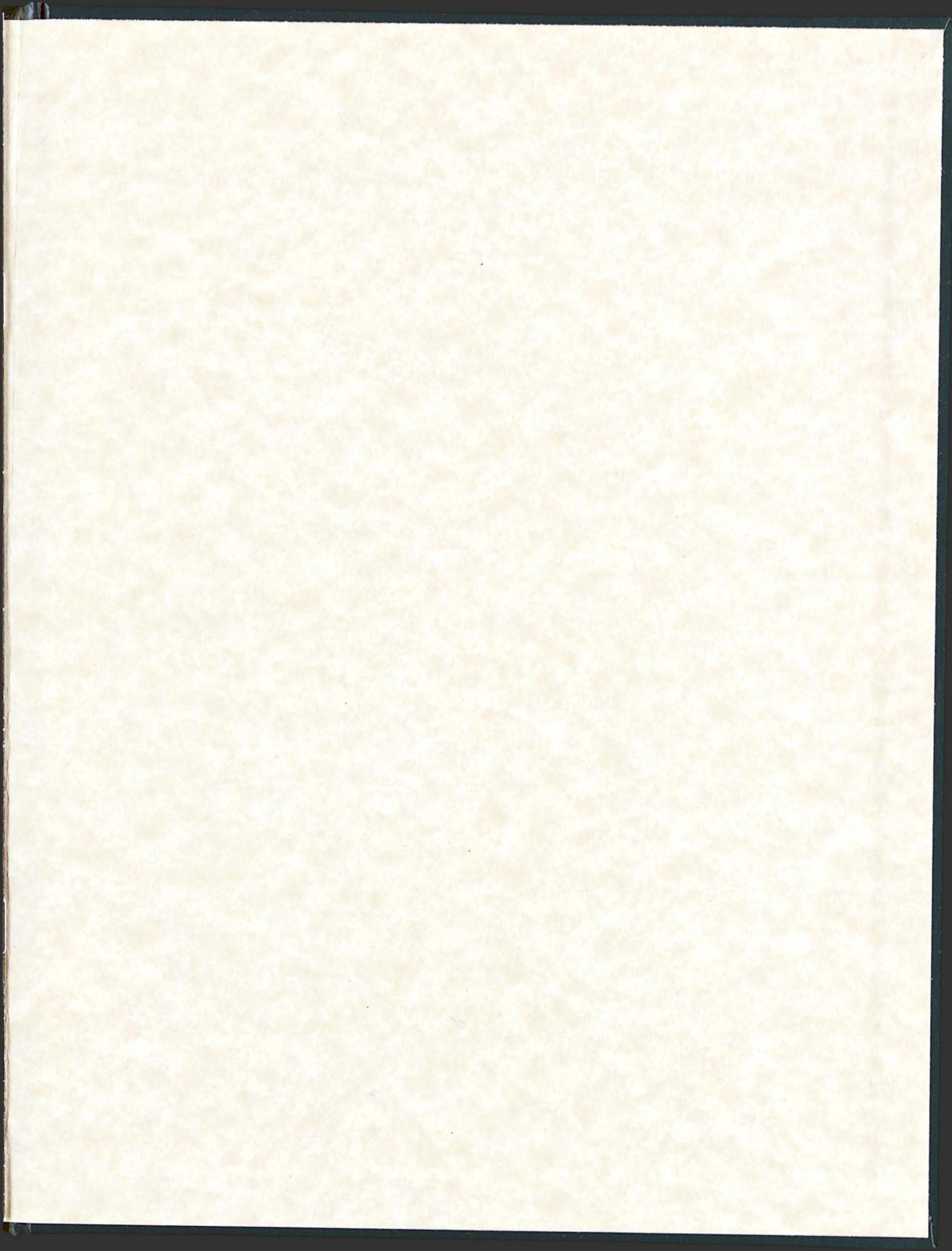
SEVEN BALL IN THE CORNER POCKET Working in the game room, Ezra Mehlhoff has the chance to pick up a game of pool when business is slow. The job allowed for visiting friends, doing homework and polishing game skills.

HELPING HANDS Students lead by Dr. Eric Johnson modeled the yellow, rubber gloves that they sported for a work day in Breckenridge, MN. The students were bussed to the city on a Saturday to help clean up after the flood.



STRESS RELIEVER Café Naz provides a place for Kaytie Turner to relax in between classes. Other places of refuge were the Island, Youderian Lounge and music practice rooms.

DO YOU UNDERSTAND? The ALPHA Center provided a place for Matt Nelson to receive help with English from tutor Heidi Farrell. The room was often busy with students signing up to take a test, bringing papers to be revised and studying for the dreaded editing competency exam.



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